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Call for non-partisan mayor

TOWN councillors in Bridport are calling for an end to the Liberal Democrat stronghold on the mayorship.

Councillor Keith Day believes the Lib Dem majority on the council allows the party to dictate the make-up of the council committees, sub-committees and also puts them in a strong position

by Tom Glover

when electing the town mayor.

The current council consists of 12 Liberal Democrat, four Conservative and two independent members.

During the last ten years there has only been one non-Lib Dem mayor de-

spite the post being a predominantly ceremonial role without political bias.

Councillor Day hopes to put an end to the Lib Dem dominated mayorship this year by nominating fellow Conservative town and district councillor Roger Stoodley, when the election is held later this month.

Councillor Day said: "Roger has a long and distinguished record in public service and I would like to see this recognised."

"Electing Roger will promote a non-partisan approach to this part of the local democratic process."

"I believe that this nomination will have the support of many of the town councillors (of all persuasions) and feel that there will be even greater support from the people of Bridport."

"I would be pleased to receive any expressions of support for my proposal."



■ A NEW MAYOR? There are calls to elect Councillor Roger Stoodley as the town's mayor

Councillor Stoodley added: "My position is clear, I would be willing to stand for mayor and would be proud to be selected."

"I am a local person, born and bred in Bridport. I have been very happy with the performance of all the mayors in the past eight years and would hope to match their professionalism"

Councillor David Tett is one of two independent members of the council and has supported the call from Councillor Day.

He said: "I am aware that there may very well be a challenge this year

for the office of town mayor."

"One has to be mindful of the fact that the town council is not (unlike the district council and county council) a decision making body, notwithstanding being the first tier of local government."

"Therefore, it is only right and proper that the process of mayor making should be open to all members and not limited to those of any one political party."

"If there is to be a challenge, then I would welcome it as, indeed, I believe the town would."

"When I was first

elected to the Town Council in 1995, the Chamber comprised of a three way split, Conservative, Labour and Liberal Democrats, where all

members were given the opportunity of aspiring to an office, whether it be mayor, deputy mayor or chairmen of committees.

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ELLIOTT Dodge's family have been in the pub industry since he was a child.

His parents Brian and Gloria are successful publicans running The Poet Laureate in Poundbury and The Wiseman in West Stafford.

They recently took over as owners of The Market House in Bridport where Elliott is now the manager.

Elliott grew up in Bridport and West Bay and met his wife Sharon there.

The couple have a daughter Harriet, stepson Callum and a family zoo of pets.

After a previous life as a successful salesman with Volkswagen, Elliott took the plunge into running his own business two-years-ago.

He purchased Hair by David with his partner Sharon who had worked at the hairdressers since leaving school. After his success with running the salon, Elliott was appointed manager of The Market House.

Despite running two businesses Elliott still finds the time to nurture his love for music, running his own record label and presenting a weekly radio show in Greece.

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■ HAD you always planned to follow in your parents footsteps?

No, like a lot of things in life you never set out to do, opportunities arise and for me it was to grab the bull by the horns and go for it. My parents are not getting younger so I wanted to step in and eventually give them the well-earned break they deserve.

■ YOU run two businesses in the town, what is the secret to your success?

Both businesses need to be approached with complete professionalism; they are both different and run differently. You have to have the desire to take responsibility of your own future. I'm lucky that I have my wife Sharon by my side, we work as a brilliant team.

■ DO you prefer to be behind the bar or in the salon?



Honestly I enjoy both. My wife takes care of the front of house in Hair by David, there is such a nice atmosphere in both establishments, clearly there is no favourite.

■ BOTH businesses are very sociable, why do you think you were attracted to them?

I am very much a people person, I'm sociable, I like to talk to people. You can learn so much about so many things and I'm interested in what my customers have to say.

■ WHERE do you see yourself in five years time?

When I think back over the last five years so much has happened, Sharon and I have achieved a great deal to-

gether. I'm sure opportunities will arise, so with a lot of thought and consideration I will let you know.

■ WHO would be your three dream guests at a dinner party and why?

Keeping it simple, both my grandfathers, I would love to have a chat with them and I would have to invite Jamie Oliver, I think he's a great chef and what a laugh he would be.

■ IF you won the lottery how would you spend the money?

I don't do the Lotto, the odds are no way in my favour. But if I did and won, well I would make sure my family were well catered for.

■ WHICH three items would you put into Room 101?

First up would have to be man flu, get rid of that, just no need! Next up would be people who queue jump, the English have it off to a fine art, and last but by no means least would be caravans, sorry to all caravan lovers.

■ WHAT was the last book you read, film you watched and CD you listened to?

I'm an avid James Patterson reader, I try to read all his books. The last one I read for the second time now is "Kiss The Girls" a really good solid thriller. I do enjoy a good film, scary, funny or outright silly but I haven't had chance to sit down long enough to watch many movies or go to the cinema. The last flick was Sherlock Holmes, it was good but not what I thought it would be. Music is a big player in my life, I also run a record label, where I release across the globe incorporating elements of electronic music. So I get the chance to listen to heaps of promotional demos months before release, every week I sit down and go through them picking out the ones I may release or I want to play on my weekly radio show that's aired in Greece.

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West Bay boyracers problem persists

BOYRACERS have ignored continued pleas to curb anti-social behaviour in their cars despite a fellow enthusiast having their vehicle seized.

Just days after a car was impounded by police, ten cars were counted either parked or driving up and down West Bay esplanade at 11:30pm by a councillor on Wednesday, March 31st.

Police used their powers under Section 59, an

by Paul Crompton

anti-social driving law, to seize the black BMW car on Monday, March 29th at 11pm.

The driver, who had previously been warned by police, will now have to pay upward of £150 to recover his car.

PC Sarah Corrin said: "This is something we do if a person has a previous warning for anti-social

driving. The problem is ongoing so patrols are currently increased."

Residents have welcomed the move, which they hope will make the car "enthusiasts" think twice about late night driving around Meadowlands.

Police have increased patrols in the area following a *View From* report

into boyracers in the area and a meeting between residents and councillors, which saw Oliver Letwin MP throw his political might behind the problem.

A West Bay resident, who asked for anonymity because they feared retaliation, said: "It's just very frustrating that they don't do anything for ages then as soon as someone like Oliver Letwin gets involved then they seem to do something."

"But anything they do to deter them (boyracers) coming down here is a

positive move to stop the problem.

"There's no pattern to it. Sometimes we can go weeks with none then other times there is a dozen or so cars."

"I think crushing the cars is a bit strong; I just want them to stop coming around here and disturbing me. I just want a quiet life."

Town councillor Keith Day said the increased police activity was a result of the *View From*'s coverage of Oliver Letwin's intervention into the ongoing problem at Meadowlands.

He said: "The problem is still not totally solved, just moved. When a car is confiscated, it causes considerable problems - in time and cost - to the drivers."

"This may be the right way forward and may serve to be the way to get the message to them - they are not welcome here unless they behave responsibly. I hope the police can maintain this level of surveillance."

It is believed that cars come down from afar as Honiton, east Devon, Crewkerne, Somerset and Weymouth.

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"Since the appointment of a leader of the council, the election of the mayor is regarded primarily as a ceremonial one, and to

represent the town council more in an ambassadorial capacity."

Current mayor and Liberal Democrat Martin Ray commented: "Any councillor can nominate

any other councillor so we shall have to see what nominations come in.

"The closing date for nominations is April 19th, so we have a long way to go yet."

Bridport meeting on council offices relocation

PUBLIC demand has seen a second public meeting scheduled for Bridport to discuss the controversial relocation of West Dorset County Council's offices.

Once again Lib Dem Parliamentary Candidate Dr Sue Farrant has organised the event on Monday, April 19th, in the Town Hall from 6:30pm - 8pm.

Dr Farrant will again be inviting WDDC leader Councillor Robert Gould and Oliver Letwin MP to the meeting.

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Members were joined by pupils from the Colfox School, who entertained with poetry and music, and helped with making Easter bonnets for a competition. This was followed by an afternoon Easter bingo which raised £185.

A busy entertainment programme for April is planned in the newly redecorated day room.

The table top sale on March 27th raised £65. The next sale is scheduled for Saturday, May 29th from 9:30am to 12:30pm. Tables are available at £5; call 01308 424357 to book a place.

Chancery House AGM is on Wednesday, May 19th.

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Don't forget to recycle your Easter rubbish

CHOCACHOLICS in Dorset are being "egged on" to recycle following the Easter weekend.

Around 3,000 tonnes of Easter egg packaging is produced in the UK each year and Dorset County Council is hoping the county can make a difference by reducing, reusing and recycling as much of their rubbish as they can.

Dorset County Council's head of waste management, Steve Burdis, said: "Chocoholics in Dorset can enjoy lots of sweet treats and still be excellent recyclers this Easter.

"And, while we don't expect to see much chocolate wasted, we are encouraging residents to recycle as much of the packaging as possible using local recycling banks and household recycling centres.

"At our packaging roadshows we've been highlighting the excellent yet subtle changes happening to significantly reduce the packaging of well known products.

"Easter eggs are a great example of this - Cadbury, Mars and Nestlé have all reduced their Easter egg packaging by more than 25 per cent and Cadbury has even introduced packaging free 'Eco Eggs.'

"Not only have they minimised the weight of packaging, the confectionary sector has significantly

increased its use of recycled material in packaging, avoiding the need to use virgin materials, and included useful advice on how to recycle it."

To learn more about reducing,

reusing and recycling your waste visit www.dorsetforyou.com/recycling.

You will also find information on your nearest recycling bank or household recycling centre there.

NHS Dorset registered with Care Quality Commission

FROM last Thursday (April 1st), all NHS trusts in England are required by law to be registered with the Care Quality Commission, the independent regulator of health and social care.

To be registered, trusts must demonstrate they meet the necessary standards of quality and patient safety. Where these standards have not been met, registration is conditional on improvements being made.

NHS Dorset has gained registration with no conditions.

Under the new system, trusts will be judged on the outcomes and experiences of patients, not just whether there are systems and processes in place.

After registration they will be continuously monitored as to whether they meet the given standards. If these are not met, the Care Quality Commission will work with commissioners and others using new enforcement powers if necessary.

Chair of NHS Dorset Jacqueline Swift said: "Gaining registration without conditions is great news for the trust, however we must not be complacent and are continually looking at how we can improve services across the county."

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Hackers target village web site

Turkish nationalists invade Puncknowle's homepage

INTERNATIONAL hackers promoting Turkish nationalism have left residents in a sleepy West Dorset village bemused after hijacking their web site.

Residents of Puncknowle were surprised to find their web site, www.puncknowle.net, which showcases the village to potential tourists, was taken over by a group calling themselves the "1923 Turk-Grup".

A holding page has since been installed after the *View From* told the village's newly formed Puncknowle and Swyre Web Development Group of the breach in security.

by Paul Crompton

The web site, which costs £25 every two years in rental for the domain name, is accessible three different ways, with the parishes of Swyre and West Bexington also affected.

Chair of Puncknowle Parish Council and member of the web group Tony Edwards said: "I'm both pleased and grateful the *View From* has told us about this because someone has hacked into our server, which covers several community web sites.

"It's appalling that the web site can be hijacked in this manner

without any clear idea who has done it. It will be investigated how this could have occurred. I've not seen this before.

"It has a very negative consequence for the social and leisure industry of this area. It's hard to gauge the impact it would have on tourism. It must have some affect but the scale I wouldn't know."

A spokesman for Dorset Police said because the substituted material was not especially offensive, nor could the hacker make any financial gain, they were not be in a position to investigate unless further evidence came to light.

The village's web-hosting

provider confirmed the breach arose through someone hacking in using the administrative password for editing content.

Mr Edwards had last inspected the web site in the middle of March just before a meeting of the Puncknowle and Swyre Web Development Group, which met on February 16th to discuss plans for the site.

The hijacked site featured the refrain: "We are unbearing our Dardanelle Martyres in its 95. Anniversary." A link then took you onto www.1923turk.com

E-mails have been circulated to the villagers explaining the web site will be offline for a short until a way to increase security and improve user-friendliness of the site has been found.

Mr Edwards said: "The reason for this is that the security of our domains has been breached by a hacker who replaced our community information with a single page promoting a 'cause.'

"It is useless to speculate who might have executed this 'vandalism' - whether someone with a grievance targeting this community specifically or some smartie looking to ruin others' information."



■ **TURKISH HACKERS:** How the page looked after the site was hacked and, below, how the site originally appeared



Afghanistan documentary at the Meeting House

A DOCUMENTARY on the controversial war in Afghanistan will be the focus at the next meeting of the Bridport Peace and Justice Group.

Rethink Afghanistan is a 2009 documentary about the ongoing war in Afghanistan.

This full-length documentary features experts from Afghanistan, the US and Russia among

others discussing critical issues like military escalation, how escalation will affect Pakistan and the surrounding region, the cost of war, civilian casualties, and the rights of Afghan women.

The film is produced by Robert Greenwald who was also responsible for *UNCOVERED: The War on Iraq*, which previously received rave re-

views from the group.

Director Oliver Stone called the movie "an indispensable guide to what's really going on in Afghanistan."

He went on to say it's "not what you read in the mainstream newspapers or see on television."

Filmmaker Michael Moore said the film was "a wake-up call for those who still believe our mil-

itary should be in Afghanistan" and that "*Rethink Afghanistan* should be the Saturday matinee at the White House.

To find out more, visit www.rethinkafghanistan.com

The film will be shown at the Friends Meeting House on Sunday, April 11th at 7:30pm.

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This year's Charter Fair theme announced

THE Bridport Charter Fair, to be held on Saturday, July 3rd, has joined forces with UNICEF's local *Rights Respecting* initiative, and has made 'Bridport - A Rights Respecting Community' its theme for 2010.

"Whilst young people have for many years had a major input into this continuously expanding community event," explained secretary and event organiser, Arthur Woodgate, "for the first

by Stuart Broom

time we now have young people sitting on our steering group.

"They've come up with a number of exciting ideas, and we'll be seeing a Charter Fair with a difference this year."

All successful ingredients of former years are retained - free entertainment in Bucky Doo Square, bouncy castle, face-painting, coconut

shy, music and ring events in the Borough Gardens, craft stalls and the popular Charter Free Community Arts Project in the Arts Centre and charity stalls in the pedestrianised area of South Street.

"Thanks to the generosity that is very evident in this community, charity stallholders have consistently reported good tak-

ings," said Mr Woodgate. "The word seems to have got around, because we have a number of new organisations taking part, including one coming in from Yeovil, and some of the established groups have doubled the number of stalls they usually take."

Reflecting the influence of the Rights Respecting initiative, the prestigious Charter Award, designed in slate by local sculptor Carl Dixon, will be pre-

sented to a group or an individual recognised as being active in upholding the rights of others within our community.

"The Community Arts Project will offer everyone a creative opportunity of identifying what you think a 'Rights Respecting Community' might look like, and your ideas could go on to be included in Bridport's first Rights Charter," continued Mr Woodgate.

It's not all good news though: after many years of thrilling the public, the involvement of young bikers, boarders and bladders from the Trick Factory is under threat

because of insurance issues.

"Both Rob Ridge and I are trying to find a way through this, but there seem to be more brick walls in evidence than usual," said Mr Woodgate.

"We'll keep trying - no one wants to lose this." To book a stall, make a nomination for the award, or for any further information about the Charter Fair, contact Arthur Woodgate on 01308 423767.

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AT THEIR recent AGM, Frances McKenzie was elected Chair, and Linda

Larcombe the Vice-Chair of the Charter Fair Steering Committee.

Sandra Brown remained as treasurer, and Arthur Woodgate as secretary and event organiser.

With the Charter Fair sustaining a financial loss with its expansion over recent years, the need for more fund-raising was highlighted. It was hoped that this would be supplemented by sponsorship from those interested in seeing this successful community event continue.

Over £8,000 of funding being held by the group consists of profits from

the 2003 lottery-funded event, celebrating 700 years since the granting of the first market charter to Bridport.

This could not be used to sustain the Charter Fair itself, but is needed to go towards supporting local initiatives that celebrate the town's heritage.

It was agreed that the funding be split equally between the museum's new project, focusing on the local rope-making industry, and the new West Bay Play Area, designed by young people, built by a local rope-making firm (Huck Nets) and, in its own way, celebrating a local heritage.



AWARD: The Charter Fair Award which is recognition as being active in upholding the rights of others within our community

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Bridport support group celebrates first birthday



■ **CELEBRATIONS:** Founders of Bridport ADHD and Aspergers Support Group, Mrs King and Mrs O'Doud, with family and friends at the group's first anniversary

by Paul Crompton

A GROUP founded by concerned parents in Bridport to give children diagnosed with ADHD and Aspergers help and support has celebrated its first anniversary.

Parents Emma O'Doud and Natasha King, who both have children diagnosed with the condition, are now looking to expand after starting Bridport ADHD and Aspergers Support Group a year ago.

The pair now want to get the message out they are there to offer support for children and parents during meetings at Bridport's Children Centre every Wednesday.

Mrs O'Doud said: "I did an 'Incredible Years' course in Weymouth and found there was no support groups in Bridport, so with help from Jo Walkey and from the Children's Centre we set the group up.

"I've been overwhelmed at the amount of referrals that we got each week. Children are always being diagnosed.

"We've our regular members and new members come along each week as well.

"Our next thing is to try and get support for parents who cannot get to meetings and perhaps some respite for parents so they can have a break."

Members and well-wishers, including MP Oliver Letwin, met at the Old Masonic Hall for a disco to celebrate their first birthday.

The group has survived the first year with help from local organisations including £454 from Waitrose and £200 from the Friends of Holy Trinity Church, Bradpole.

Mrs King said: "This first year we have just been finding our feet and collaborating it with our lives.

"It's important to get support for the children

as early as possible, through their school years so when they reach young adulthood they are much more confident and can live a fairly normal life which is a parents

dream."

For information on the group contact Mrs O'Doud on 01308 458554 or Mrs King on 01308 459024.

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Campaigners lose fight to keep magistrates court open

BRIDPORT'S Grade II listed magistrates court building could be left to deteriorate after the town lost its ten year battle to save it last month.

The Ministry of Justice

admit they have no immediate plans for the building since confirming its closure to save around £34,000 a year and ensure a better value for money service.

The town council had been fighting to retain the building, described as a "plank of our heritage," after first challenging Dorset County Council in 2000.

Victims and witnesses of crime now face a two hour and 30 minute, 40 mile round trip to Weymouth Magistrates' Court by public bus or an hour and a half car journey.

The reasons given for the closure include a lack of custody accommodation and ability to deal with custody cases, and a lack of use – no cases have been listed there since 2008.

District and town councillor David Tett said: "I am saddened by yet a further plank of our heritage being taken from under our feet by the closure of the Magistrates Court."

"As much as we welcome the MP Oliver Letwin's recent input, it was the town council who took up the challenge in 2000 to save the court."

"The general reaction is we very much regret the decision that is being taken and I don't think it is in the best interest of the people of Bridport."

"It's a retrograde step in time. We were very much

looking to return our court."

"We saw a wonderful opportunity to keep that in the plans for the town, but I'm afraid it's now done and dusted."

"It's a bad decision not only for Bridport but Lyme Regis and all the villages and parishes that used to come to the court, but now have to travel to Weymouth."

Bridport Town Council expressed its "strong disappointment" at the closure when it was first proposed during a consultation in October 2009.

Justice Secretary Jack Straw said they had

made the cuts to significantly improve facilities for court users and they would not have a significant adverse impact on the provision of local justice.

"Many of the courts

that are closing do not have suitable facilities for victims and witnesses," he said.

"I do not believe it would provide good value for money to bring these buildings up to the

required standard at the taxpayers' expense."

The town was one of 20 deficient magistrates courts closed around the country, with Sherborne and Wareham also bearing the brunt of the cuts.



Free skincare consultations on offer in Bridport next Saturday

A BRIDPORT aromatherapist is offering free skincare consultations in the town.

Olivia Chapman, who produces her own skincare products, has just completed an advanced course concentrating on how to help skin conditions using moisturising oils safely.

Mrs Chapman said: "This is a wonderful opportunity to see exactly what goes into Oleo creams, lotions and potions."

"Anyone with chapped hands, delicate skin problems or just in need of a treat is very welcome."

Olivia produces Oleo from a tiny workshop, blending and mixing over 40 products from hand washes to shower

gels and is already supplying local businesses and guest accommodation.

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The consultations are from 10am to 1pm on April 10th at 129 South St, Bridport.

Having qualified at The Institute of Traditional Herbal Medicine and Aromatherapy in London, Olivia is a massage therapist and has a 1st class honours degree in Health Science.

She is a member of IFPA (International Federation of Professional Aromatherapists). For further information visit www.oleobodycare.co.uk



■ **SMELL OF SUCCESS:** Bridport aromatherapist Olivia Chapman is offering free skincare consultations in the town

Smith family continue to fundraise for local charities

THE Smith family continue to donate money from this year's charity ball which raised a record £6,700, making a total of £62,000 over the 19 years that they have organising the annual event.

Henry Smith, a retired farmer from Bettiscombe, was given a lifesaving heart and kidney transplant and has been raising money as a way of saying thank you ever since. Having already made a presentation to the Dorset renal unit at Dorchester County Hospital the family invited representatives from the Dorset and Somerset Air Ambulance, Cancer Research, Brainwave and Whitchurch Playgroup to Highlands End, home of one of the main sponsors West Dorset Leisure Holidays, to receive their donations.

Mr Smith said: "I would like to thank all of our sponsors, West Dorset Leisure Centre, John Bright Fencing, A J Wakely and Humphries Kirk Solicitors as well as Creeds Printers who sponsored the balloons and Lavender Blue who inflated them for us. Also to everyone who donated prizes for the raffle and who came to the ball."

Others that received donations were Harefield Hospital & Hamsters Transplant Club and West Dorset Diabetics.



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Gardening club beat the odds to stage top show

MEMBERS of Bridport Gardening Club had a spring in their step after another successful show against all odds.

Arctic weather conditions throughout the winter worried the organisers but members used all their green-fingered skills to put on another high quality spring show.

The show was judged by Colin Giles of the Dorset Federation of Horticulture Societies who was particularly impressed by the daffodils and narcissi on display.

Mr Giles awarded a DFHS certificate to exhibitor Barry Checks-

by Tom Glover

field who provided the star attraction with his eight petalled daffodil.

Mr Giles explained: "The daffodil could not be judged as it had eight petals instead of six so was not theoretically a daffodil but is worthy of a certificate in appreciation of the outstanding merit of this exhibit and a tribute to the skill of the exhibitor."

The overall winner on the day

and picking up the Ernie Lane Cup was Mary Keens who achieved the highest overall aggregate score in all the show classes.

As well as everyone who took part the group wished to thank Isabel Green who walked round town dressed as a scarecrow to advertise the event.

Bridport and District Gardening Club Shows are open to all, not just members, and the Late Summer Show will be on September 4th at the United Church Hall in East Street.

RESULTS

The Elmes Challenge Cup (Best pot plant) - Mary Cox
The Tambllyn Trophy (Best entry in the daffodil classes) - Ken Hunt
The Scadden Trophy (Best entry in the other flower classes) - Margaret Genender
The Bob Mills Trophy (Highest aggregate score in all the Horticultural classes) - Ken Hunt
The Cresswell Cup (Best entry in the Floral Exhibit classes) - J Newton
The Ewens Trophy (Best entry in the Floral Exhibit classes) - J Newton
The Samways Cup (Highest aggregate score in the Homecraft Classes) - M Keens
The Charlie Barrett Cup (Highest aggregate score in the Art and Handicraft Classes) - S Lawton
The Whitfield Trophy (Best entry in the photography classes) - C Wilson
The Stanley Dean Cup (Highest aggregate score in the photography classes) - C Harvey
The Ernie Lane Cup (Highest overall aggregate score in all the show classes) - M Keens



STAR ATTRACTION: Barry Checksfield with his eight petalled daffodil



TOP OF THE CLASS: Overall winner Mrs Mary Keens



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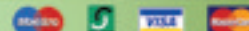
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St Catherine's school prove they've

Words by Tom Glover
Photos by Lisa Bright

PUPILS at St Catherine's Primary School in Bridport showed they had the X factor last week with a school talent show complete with compare and guest judges.

Colfox student, and talented performer herself, Laura-Kate Thomas compered the evening and on the "celebrity" judging panel were football coaches Lee Cuff and Bob Hall, teacher Ethna Jenkins and **View From** reporter Tom Glover.

The show offered something for everyone from song and dance to comedy sketches, gymnastics and synchronised skipping.

After each performance the brave young stars were reviewed by the judges, who were constantly impressed by the talent on show.

St Catherine's is not the biggest school in Bridport but it certainly didn't fall short when searching for talented pupils.

The judges couldn't keep up with the fast feet of Imogen and Ella who both impressed with their individual tap dances.

Despite a few technical hitches the trio of Callan, Benji and Tom had the audience roaring with laughter with their unique sketch.

And one of the most talented performers on the night was undoubtedly Zack who proved to be a musical prodigy on piano, clarinet and violin, not too mention as a vocalist.

After 13 acts the judges were sent off to decide on a winner but, with such a variety of ages and talents on show, found it impossible to choose.

To give the contestants the recognition they deserved each judge revealed their top three acts before Bob Hall presented the pupils with certificates and Easter eggs for their efforts.



■ ST CATHERINE'S GOT TALENT: The contestants gather on the stage before the show



■ MUSICAL TALENT: Sennen rocks out to the 'Summer of 69' (above) and Zack impressed the judges on the piano, clarinet and violin (below)



■ CLOWNING AROUND: Callan, Benji and Tom perform John and Jerry's Cherries



■ UNDER THE SEA: Paige, Carmen and Amelia as the three little mermaids



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■ **BORN PERFORMER:** Rosie showed off her gym skills

Local residents welcome Highway Agency input into town's waste transfer station

THE St Andrews Road and District Residents Association has welcomed the involvement of the Highways Agency in the recent review of sites for the town's waste transfer station.

The involvement of the Highways Agency saw Dorset County Council reconsider sites at Miles Cross and Broomhills Farm on the A35 and they will now be taken forward for further public consultation.

Vice chair of the residents association Paul Lashmar said: "We welcome the Highways Agency's positive contribution to the waste site debate."

"Now they have finally agreed to be involved some progress has been made. They now accept that local traffic uses their roads. This is a major step forward. We note that their results closely follow our own research."

The six sites now left in for the Stage Two review

are:

- Miles Cross 1, on the south side of the A35/B3162 junction;
- Broomhills Farm, off the A35;
- Gore Cross, north of Watford Lane, on the northern edge of Bridport;
- Green Lane Nursery, on the so-called Walditch Plain;
- Miles Cross 2, on the north side of the A35, between it and the B3162;
- Watton Farm, near A35 Eype rest area.

The Highways Agency received public criticism from West Dorset MP Oliver Letwin due to their lack of involvement, following meetings with the residents association.

In an adjournment debate, he told the House of Commons: "When a study was done, not by the Highways Agency, but by the local residents using Google Earth, another device unknown to the Highways Agency,

and a population gravity study, unknown to the Highways Agency, it transpired that in all probability putting the waste transfer site at the end of St Andrew's Road, where people do not want it, will impose more strain on the roundabout which is the single most strained element of the A35 in my constituency, than if it were put on the main road—a fact unknown to the Highways Agency because it had never done the work."

Despite the move forward the residents association are still concerned with the inclusion of the Gore Cross site.

"While we are disappointed that Gore Cross is still in the shortlist, as it would bring heavy traffic through a traffic blighted residential area, past schools and on a major safe route to schools; at least we have moved away from the years where Dorset

County Council seemed determined to site the WTS at Gore Cross, regardless of hard evidence of the unsuitability of the site.

"Our research shows that a site on the A35 would make much more sense."

The study showed that sites off Greens / East Road roundabout produce the most impact on the traffic. Sites west of the Crown roundabout produce the least impact on the network. It is not simply the A35 for which this is true. It is also true for the side roads.

"Let the debate, as to which site best serves Bridport; now go forward on a sound factual basis, rather than on opinions. It is high time that planning gain and planning loss were considered as well" said the association's spokesman.

The final decision on the site of the new Waste Transfer Station will come later in the year.

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International shotgun event comes to Dorset

NEXT MONTH the ISSF World Shotgun Cup comes to Dorset. Not only will it boost the economy but it is a great opportunity for a whole range of local businesses to benefit.

This will be the first time the UK has ever hosted the ISSF Shotgun World Cup event which is ranked only behind the World Championships and Olympic Games in importance, and a major

by Stuart Broom

coup for the area.

The event is being staged at the Southern Counties Shooting Ground near Dorchester in mid May, where there will be more than 400 competitors and an influx of support teams and spectators.

Hotels are already taking bookings, with many visitors combining the

event with a visit to the World Heritage Coast, but the organisers are still looking to source other local suppliers who can provide services for the event.

David Walsh, Economic Development Manager of Dorset County Council, said: "This world class event will definitely help to

showcase Dorset and raise the profile of this area in particular.

"With less than a 1,000 days to go now until the London 2012 Games this competition, supported by UK Sport, will really help people to realise that there's lots happening across the South West.

"It will help to increase the profile of the sport, our top class athletes and bring new visitors to Dorset – competitors,

coaches, spectators and supporters who will be assured of a very warm welcome.

"Southern Counties Shooting Ground has exceptional facilities so it allows overseas teams to test out the venue as a potential pre-games training camp venue.

"We would love to host teams in the run up to the London 2012 Games and build international rela-

tionships that will last a lifetime."

Tom Wenham, Event Director of Sportworks added: "This is a very prestigious event and we need to supplement the infrastructure. We are now in the process of sourcing our suppliers and we're very committed to using local businesses where possible, and it'll boost the local economy considerably.

"We are looking for everything from PA and marquee hire to generators, communication equipment and computer systems. We also need to build and staff temporary offices, and talk to coach and minibus companies about transporting competitors between their accommodation and the venue."

Any local businesses interested in getting in-

involved can contact Tom Wenham at Sportworks (01629 706579) or you can register your interest by emailing info@sportworkuk.com.

The Shotgun World Cup event takes place at the Southern Counties Shooting Ground, near Dorchester, from May 11th to May 20th.

For more information please contact Mark Tyler on 07831 591825.



TOP GUN: Dorchester will host the first ever Shotgun World Cup to be held in the UK next month

West Dorset constituency ready for election battle

MONTHS of speculation were ended yesterday with confirmation by Prime Minister Gordon Brown that the general election will take place on Thursday, May 6th.

Incumbent West Dorset MP Oliver Letwin has a tough fight on his hands, with his seat being one of the Liberal Democrats' main targets. Conservative Letwin has a majority of 2,461 but Lib Dem Sue Farrant only needs a swing of 2.3 per cent to take the seat.

The West Dorset candidates

announced so far are Steve Bick (Labour), Oliver Letwin (Conservative), Oliver Chisholm (UKIP), Sue Farrant (Liberal Democrat) and Susan Greene (Green Party).

It's bound to be a keenly fought battle with West Dorset having the highest turnout of any UK constituency with 76.3 per cent at the last election.

As part of the run up to the big day, the five local candidates will be in Lyme Regis at an event organised by Amnesty International on April 13th.

Guy Ottewell from Lyme Regis'

Amnesty International group said: "This is an unusual opportunity to meet all these candidates at one place and at an important time in national and world history."

Questions should be submitted in advance, by e-mail to chris@caboothroyd.net or in writing on the night. Those planning on attending should be aware the nearest parking is a few hundred yards away.

The meeting will be held in the parish hall, Church Street, on April 13th at 7:30pm.

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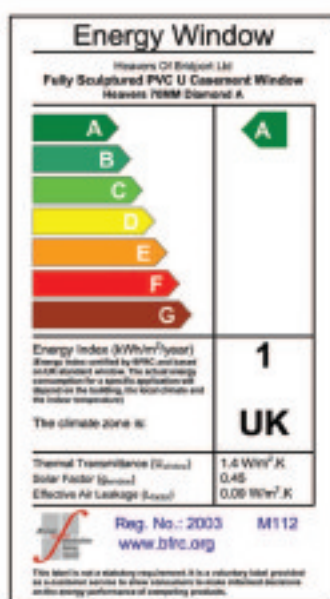
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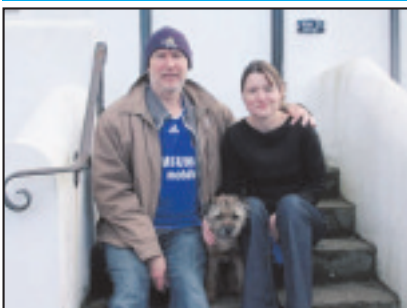
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After her partner retired from the fire service they moved back West and settled in Chideock, about five years ago. Bev carried on grooming and established her business Taylors Dog Grooming in this area (although she still goes back to Bournemouth to visit some old customers). She offers friendly and specialist care for all breeds. A range of services are offered to suit your doggy needs; clipping & styling, brush, bath & dry, ear & eye cleaning, nail clipping, gland unblocking.

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Bev does various voluntary works at Dog Rescue and the Margaret Green Foundation in Winterbourne Kingston and can be met at the Brit Valley Dog Show on May 30th. Bev has just returned from Thailand where she spent a lot of time feeding the sick and stray dogs and cats.

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As a gold level member of the Academy of Dog trainers and behaviourist, I am fully qualified to teach the kennel Clubs Good citizens Award schemes. We run these schemes as separate course allowing people to understand fully their dogs and tests standard required.

I have always had a love for the working mind of the dog, and have a diploma in dog psychology. Understanding both dog and people I feel is of top priority and I always try and suit training to the person and their dog.

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CATTISTOCK

BUDDING gardeners from a nursery school got their hands dirty during the launch of Cattistock's allotment scheme.

A dozen children from sponsors Little Groves Nursery, Beaminster, joined in the fun as a new project within the annual Cattistock Gardens Festival was announced.

Cattistock's little green fingers will shortly be getting to work on the allotments, which have been provided by village pub, The Fox & Hounds. Little Groves manager, Becky Groves, said: "The children absolutely loved it. There's quite a few little green fingers now."

The festival committee were pleased with the generosity of the sponsor who donated seeds, propagation trays, tools and compost. Ms Groves, and parent Sophie Sennett, one of the young mothers who manages the play facilities for junior villagers and supervised the proceedings on March 26th.

This is the second

scheme for which the pub has provided land – in an innovative project launched last year they provided land for allotments and took produce as rent.

The produce was then used in the pub's kitchens; this scheme is on-going.

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A PARISH market showcasing the village's best produce is scheduled for Saturday, April 17th as part of the Cattistock Gardens Festival.

The Little Groves Nursery sponsored event will include plants, flowers and arrangements, herbs, fresh produce, organic meat, jams and chutneys.

The event at Savill Hall from 10am to 1pm will also have books, bric-a-brac, gardening, teas & coffees, a grand raffle, soup kitchen and smokery.

The children's scheme is one of a programme of events within the festival, proceeds of which will go, this year, to upgrade the children's playground in Cattistock, and towards the restoration of the church.

ASKERSWELL

THE annual charity funday at The Spyway Inn has had to be re-scheduled after organisers cancelled at the last minute due to the weather.

Tim Wilkes and Vivian Wilkes, organise the event at their pub to raise money for everything from village charities to Cancer Research.

The event will now be held on May 31st.

BRADPOLE

BRADPOLE Parish Council will be leading a village spring clean this weekend.

The council are calling on all residents to come and lend a hand for the big tidy up.

Volunteers are asked to meet at the village hall at 10:30am where the council will provide helpers with rubbish bags and protective gloves.

If you are unable to meet at the village hall then any help cleaning up your part of the village would be greatly appreciated.

HOOKE



■ PUPILS from a Beaminster school have combined lessons, fun and sport into one giant fundraising marathon for disaster struck victims of Haiti. Children and staff of Hooke Court School and Wren's Nursery ran a combined total of 194 miles to raise £1,000 to help the earthquake stricken country.

All of the 17 children aged between five and 11-years-old ran a minimum of three miles each, with some running six miles and three children even completing a nine mile run. The nursery children also walked a mile each.

As part of their geography lesson the children calculated Haiti was around 4,300 miles from their school. They then used 43 as the "magic" number. This meant the school's Chris McConnell and Amy Evans both ran a combined 43 miles and the children ran a combined effort of two x 43 miles. The children and staff started at Toller Porcorum and finished at Hooke Court where lunch for all participants and marshals was provided by BBC Masterchef winner Mat Folas's restaurant.

SALWAY ASH



■ A BIG breakfast on Easter Monday proved a sizzling success in Salway Ash. There were fry ups for those who could manage it and cereals for the rest who had already filled up on Easter eggs.

Diners at the village hall helped raise £581 for the Holy Trinity Church in the village and a raffle helped raise an additional £120 for the Dorset Historic Churches Trust.

The organisers are planning to repeat the fundraiser in the autumn.

SYMONDSBURY

SYMONDSBURY Primary School celebrated an 'eggcellent' Easter with an egg hunt at the weekend.

Pupils, parents and visitors young and old were up bright and early on Easter Sunday to get the best chance of securing an egg.

Coloured lollipop sticks and numbered golf balls were hidden around Colmers Hill and each corresponded to a chocolate egg back at the school.

Those who found a lollipop could collect a little egg and those lucky enough to find a golf ball took home a big egg.

After running up and down the hill the early morning egg hunters returned to the school for refreshments, which helped boost the fundraising total to £450.



■ ISABELLE and Alice Watt go hunting with Sarah Perrett



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Creating a cosy home

Six easy steps to a low cost make-over

1. Copy decorators, who often move their furniture around on a temporary or seasonal basis, or just because they feel like it, says Caroline.

"They like to see how things look in a new light, perhaps moving a sofa or chairs to a different position. They try things out and assess the results with a cool, dispassionate eye. Moving one large piece will alter the way that everything else in the room looks. At the very worst it will show you what you can't do, and at the best it will give the room a whole new effect, as well as a completely different perspective."

2. Add new cushions or lampshades, or move existing ones to different rooms to rejuvenate your home.

"This is another decorator's tip," says Caroline. "It's done for the same reason that it's all too easy to get used to seeing things so that they almost become invisible through familiarity. Pile up cushions in one area and then try them out on different seats, in new areas, or consider having lighter cushion covers for summer months to ring the changes."

3. Ring the changes in the kitchen. If you normally have only table mats, use tablecloths.

"Tablecloths are comfortable, cosy, and when they dress a table they suggest delicious meals soon to be eaten," says Caroline.

So get out the china kept in cupboards for special occasions, and use it more frequently. Or, if you don't want to risk special pieces getting damaged, put up shelves and display it.

4. Bring new life to the bedroom, says Caroline, by bringing out your collection of

bedspreads and bed linen and trying different combinations. Discard (or recycle) sets rarely used, and consider taking advantage of sales and investing in a couple of new bed linen sets a year, she says.

Old quilts can be used to make bedroom cushions, window seat cushions or for ottoman and stool tops, as the extra padding adds to the comfort of the seat. You can also try folding old curtains or smaller quilts and using them on the back of sofas or on the end of a bed.

5. Create window seats throughout the house.

"These don't merely provide extra seating but are also a lovely spot to sit and gaze out. It's worth taking a close look at windows that are roughly the right height from the floor to see whether one might work. It could be constructed to be as simple as a bench seat, made as a box seat with a hinged top, or even as a cupboard to store toys, clutter or a wine rack."

6. Use your eyes and watch how other people do it.

"Nothing sharpens the mind so much as seeing what other people want, and how much they might be prepared to pay for it," says Caroline. "Browse antique sites on the internet, graze antique price guides, look in shop windows. As the old cliché goes, 'One man's junk is another man's treasure' and I guarantee that the moment you see an old print, chair or vase rather like the one you have at home, the one you actually own will become even lovelier than it already is." you can quickly transform.

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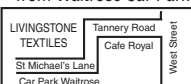
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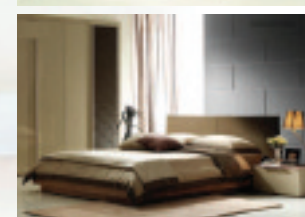
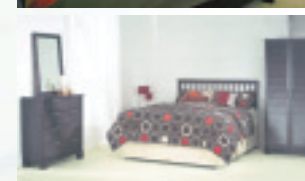
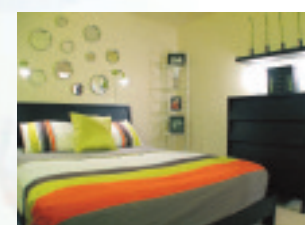


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Bright splashes of colour and floral patterns will cheer up rooms even if Spring's sunshine is a little slow in arriving. So banish winter blues with a bouquet of home effects. Spring's certainly struggling to show it's face outdoors but inside it's a blooming different story.

Flowers in all shapes and sizes, from wild, exotic blooms to delicate buds, are blossoming on homeware, whether on wallpapers and fabrics or china and cushions. Designers seem to have taken the countryside to their hearts, as florals have also found favour on the fashion catwalks. Papering a wall in a print evoking a flower-strewn meadow or picking a 'posy' of petal-scattered accessories could be just the tonic to banish winter blues and refresh tired rooms.

"Our love for nature never seems to wane," says Mookie Harrison, design manager for Home at John Lewis. "Our home collection this year is driven by all things natural and organic. Florals is one of the key stories, and we've used elements of it across all areas - from fabrics to wallpaper."

In general, on the high street there's a choice between patterns using digital technology which appear so real you can almost 'smell the roses' and others which merely use flowers as a starting block to create imaginative botanical designs from traditional to contemporary.

"Floral fabrics with chintzy colours and ruffled edges were popular in the Eighties - think Laura Ashley as well as Sanderson's wallpapers - but fell out of favour in the minimalist Nineties," explains Kate Mooney, managing director of interiors company, Occa-Home. "But they've recently enjoyed a revival partly triggered by the introduction of digital printing techniques favoured by many young designers. The new take on florals has blooms scaled up in size, rather than tiny, fussy prints, but more muted colourways using only two or at the most three shades."

If you follow the trend, be aware that just as an overwhelming profusion of real blooms can trigger allergies in the sensitive, decor flower power should similarly be handled with discretion especially if a desire for colour and pattern is only slowly growing on you!

"Busy, brightly coloured floral patterns can overwhelm especially in small spaces," says Mooney. "Generally florals work best used as an accent for a room, while floral wallpapers work well on one key wall, complemented by accessories such as cushions that continue the theme."

So celebrate Spring and gather a beautiful bouquet of homewares that will bring your home out of hibernation! Welcome in the new season by bringing walls alive with floral papers and fabrics.

"Florals are incredibly versatile and can be used to great effect. I would suggest combining a beautiful large scale floral with geometric and striped fabrics for a dynamic graphic edge," says designer, Tricia Guild, director and founder of Designers Guild. "To maintain a balance with the colour, I'd keep floors and ceilings neutral and use masses of white and highlights of charcoal, such as a black and white silk."

She favours shades such as rose pink, lilac and dove grey, and for a softer feel, advises combining a floral design with a mass of sumptuous textures in a room, such as a sofa upholstered in a washed figured velvet.

Best of the bunch: John Lewis's easy-on-the-eye, Rosa Eau de Nil paper, £20 a roll, fabric, £25 a roll. House Couturier's Flora & Fauna collection is a horticultural delight with wisteria, magnolia, fir and clematis designs. Graham & Brown's country-cottage style Spirit Collection wallpaper with blowsy blooms, or a pared-down Essence range with stylised blooms. Papers £30 a roll.

Gardens are still bereft of blooms, and for the first time in 41 years, Britain's biggest daffodil festival, near Cambridge, (Sat-

urday/Sunday March 20/21), so far can't boast a single golden flower.

Don't despair, use floral fabrics to conjure blooms inside. "More people are using window treatments as a way to introduce colours and pattern to a living space, with florals enjoying a huge revival," says David Adeane (cor) co-founder of The Natural Curtain Company, whose fabrics start from £7 a square metre. Alternatively, blinds scattered with flowers are a clever way to conceal a bleak outlook.

Best of the bunch: Apollo Blinds has a vibrant red and green leaf design, Pampas. Blinds start at £93.94 for a 600x600mm size. A lifelike 'single red tulip on a black' is one of the dramatic blind designs in the Flowers, Plants and Trees collection at the Creatively Different Roller Blinds company. Blind, sized 120cm x 120cm, £240.88, including delivery. The company uses images for designer blinds from photographers, artists and libraries.

Just as a flower arrangement brings a room to life, so can furniture if it's upholstered in a floral fabric.

"The word floral often puts people off, but you don't have to furnish a room in a dated style your granny would be proud of," says Claire Hornby, creative stylist at Barker & Stonehouse. "The best thing about florals is that they can be kitsch and cute, or wild and dramatic depending on your taste. So instead of opting for predictable pastel shades why not consider bright fuchsia pinks, or vivid, lime greens contrasting with brilliant white. There's scope to create a floral paradise which is chic and modern." She advises mixing patterns and colours. "Team a sofa in a zingy colour with a vivid patterned chair or two," she says. "Or create your own floral piece. Paint a cupboard in a punchy colour and then use a spray mount to attach sections of floral wallpaper to drawer fronts or panels."

Best of the bunch: A Yanna two seater sofa, upholstered in red and purple floral velvet, £990, from Sofa.com. Barker & Stonehouse's Verity chair, upholstered in cerise floral patterned velvet, £815.

Gardeners recognise that this hobby can become an obsession, and once you've caught the enthusiasm for home florals they're likely to spread throughout the house. Flowers are even popping up on kitchen units at Magnet. Its product and marketing director, Anjur Ahmed says: "For 2010, art will meet kitchen design. Floral designs are a hot trend and new technology is allowing patterns and textured designs to appear on kitchen units and worktops. While not for the faint hearted, bold, bright florals can add creative flair and personality to a kitchen."

Fresh, feminine florals are chic for boudoirs, and Laura Ashley and House of Fraser have excellent ranges.

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New 'Cherub of the Year' Competition launched with a £10,000 cash prize!



Professional photographer, Greg Cameron Day has announced his immediate, local exclusive involvement in a brand new national competition to find the UK's bonniest baby.

"Cherubs" is the longest running and most respected baby photography promotion, set up by the Master Photographers Association in 1993. Tens of thousands of babies have been photographed over the years and Mums receive a complimentary Art Leather Folio with three photographs recording baby's first year.

Now, for the first time ever, a life-changing £10,000 cash prize is on offer to find the baby chosen as 'Cherub of the Year'.

"As the exclusive Cherubs photographer for South and West Dorset we are very excited that

the Cherub of the Year could be a baby from our area and this new competition is a fantastic additional reason to use a professional (Master) photographer to record the key stages of baby's development," says Greg.

Greg Cameron Day has won numerous awards for his photography including the national titles of Under Five, Wedding and Pet Portrait Photographer of the Year.

In addition to the main prize, 20 runners-up prizes of £25 Shopping Vouchers will also be awarded on a quarterly basis (80 in total).

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Heroes welcome in Dorchester

Stories about the work of our armed forces and their heroic deeds are never out of the daily news. They work in difficult conditions far from their home and family, and wouldn't it be good to express our admiration for their work regardless of our views on the war in question. With that in mind, the Dorchester Business Improvement District (DBID) in partnership with the Dorchester Town Council (DTC) proposed the idea of Dorchester giving a warm welcome and a little quiet acknowledgment to members of Her Majesty's Armed Forces who are doing a difficult job in dangerous circumstances.

Heroes Welcome in Dorchester Initiative

The Heroes Welcome initiative is part of a national scheme showing support for British Armed Forces personnel. The scheme is simple, all participating shops and businesses in Dorchester will display the 'Heroes Welcome' sticker (available FREE on request from DTC and DBID) showing their appreciation and support of our armed forces at home and overseas.

The 'Heroes Welcome in Dorchester' sign alerts service personnel and their direct dependants that there are either discounts, special offers or at the very least a special and warm welcome awaiting them in these participating stores and businesses. If you are a Dorchester based shop or business, you can decide at your own discretion what discounts or special offers

are made available to qualifying service personnel and their dependants.

The Dorchester BID has created a 'Welcome for Heroes' webpage on the Dorchester Dorset website that includes a list of the participating shops and businesses, it includes local museums, restaurants & cafés and retail shops. The names will also appear on posters displayed at a number of local barracks and garrisons in the area. If you would like your business to be included on the website and poster and wish to support this worthy cause, please email Phil Gordon at philg@dorchesterdorset.co.uk.

Phil Gordon, Project Director at DBID says:

"It's certainly about time that the silent majority stood up and showed how much support and appreciation there is for what our brave service men and women are doing for us during difficult times. I am delighted to be putting Dorchester firmly on the 'Heroes Welcome' map (the first in the South West of England) but we follow in the footsteps of many other towns across the UK. There is a rapidly growing list of Dorchester businesses offering a warm welcome and wanting to show their support."

Roy Dean, Secretary Dorchester Royal Naval Association said:

"Dorchester Royal Naval Association is delighted that the town has adopted this scheme. This simple method for communities to show support for our Armed Forces has been a great

success elsewhere in the UK and it is heartening that local businesses are eager to establish a Heroes Welcome in Dorchester".

The Mayor of Dorchester commented:

'Heroes Welcome' gives us all an opportunity to thank our service men and women by welcoming them to our town and to show our support for all that they do for us by backing the scheme and supporting the shops and businesses who are taking part'.

To benefit from the offers at participating business, all service personnel and dependents will be required to show their ID as confirmation of their eligibility for a 'Heroes Welcome' discount or offer.

For more information on Welcome For Heroes please contact The Dorchester BID by email or telephone 07799 494886.



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In our fashion store you will find our spring/summer collections 2010, with beautiful new selections from Joules, Mexx, Fenn Wright Manson, Weird Fish, Great Plains, Olsen, Gerry Weber and Esprit.

Even better news is that our fantastic SPRING/SUMMER SALE is now in full swing in both of our Dorchester store.

Our Weymouth garden centre is also bursting into life with spring just around the corner. Here you will find



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Stop in Dorchester for 'a nice cup of something'

If you are venturing out to do a bit of shopping in Dorchester this weekend then you'll probably need refreshment break and look for somewhere to buy a nice "cup of something".

Not only does the town have a great selection of shops but if you are looking for somewhere to rest those weary feet and recharge energy levels for the final shopping push, Dorchester is blessed with a superb choice of Cafes and Coffee shops offering a selection of fine foods and beverage to suit all tastes. Here are a selection of highly recommended outlets from which to choose:-

If shopping in South Street there are a number of delightful Cafes close at hand. You can drop into Char Chars for a warm soup and a selection of gluten free produce and on fine days relax and eat alfresco in the outdoor seating area.

The Corner, The Gorge Café and Costa Coffee all serve good coffee and a selection of cakes or you

can nip into the historic Nappers Mite for a snack.

If you plan to visit Goulds department store, head upstairs and stop off at Café 11 to enjoy a cup of tea before resuming your shopping. Starbucks Coffee is just across the way and serves a variety of drinks and refreshments including a selection of sandwiches, croissants, cakes and muffins.

On Trinity Street you will find both Noah's Coffee Lounge and Taste.

A recent review describes Taste "as having a great vibe, always busy and the service is brilliant. It also has a great choice of food on the menu and they have a great kids menu with platters of fresh food."

Elsewhere, the Oak Room on Antelope Walk is ideal for morning coffee, light lunches and afternoon teas. The Oasis located in the Borough Gardens is a great stop off point if you want to grab a quick snack for the family while the children have fun in the park. Or why not try the new Town Mill Bakery next to Waitrose down Tudor Arcade, a great new cafe, come bakery that has recently opened.

And there's more...

A reviewer recently wrote about The Old Tea House on High West St - "I would recommend stopping in this beautiful 'olde worlde' cafe if you are looking for delicious food, generously sized portions, and reasonable prices. The staff are pleasant and helpful, and the place is lovely and clean."

The Horse With The Red Umbrella located opposite the Dorset County Museum has the same welcoming ambience and serves fantastic cakes and teas.

Potters Cafe Bistro located on the quieter Durngate Street is warm and inviting. The Walnut Grove is located on the same street and is an ideally stop off point if are planning to visit The Dinosaur Museum.

If you are planning to visit Dorchester Market on Wednesdays, then the onsite Cafe is idea for hot food, bacon rolls, cakes or nibbles. There are also loads of cold drinks to choose from to quench your thirst.

With such a wide choice of Cafes in Dorchester to complement the superb shops you can be sure of a warm welcome in Dorchester.



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Built in 1635, this Grade II listed building is one of the oldest in the town and was the Abbot's residence. It has been a tea room since 1902 and has been superbly and sympathetically renovated by the current owners, Derek and Deborah Dalley, including the refurbishment of the old gas lamps which still work.

They also found a copy of the Abbot's Bible with a 15th century cover over a 12th century manuscript, lodged up the main chimney.

Derek is a chef and prepares most of the food which he tries to source from local farms and producers in the country. All of the cakes and scones are baked fresh every morning, and they serve good, hearty breakfasts from 7.30am to 10.00am.

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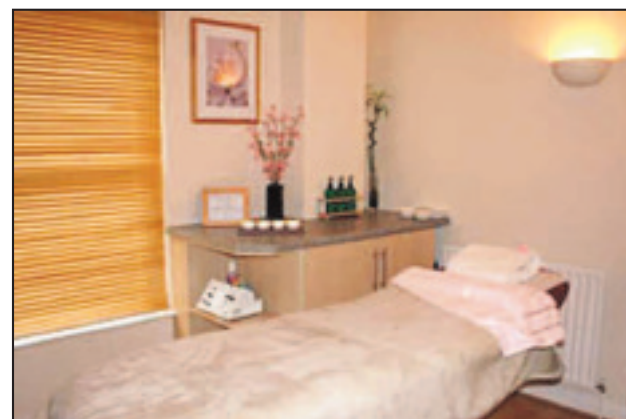
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He was defeated by the King's army in less than a month. Around 1300 were taken prisoner. Five Judges came to Dorchester with the infamous Judge Jeffreys, whose reputation was that of the 'hanging judge'.

In September 1685, 312 cases were heard in the Oakroom at the rear of the Antelope Hotel; of these 292 were sentenced to death. Only 74 were executed, with 175 transported, 9 were fined or whipped and 54 were discharged.

Judge Jeffreys - having his eye on promotion - was later made Lord Chancellor.

When King James fell and William of Orange landed in Torbay, Jeffreys was captured and imprisoned in the Tower of London. He died in 1689 while awaiting trial, probably of natural causes. Rumours at the time said he has been poisoned while in the Tower and that his body had been returned to Dorchester and walled up in the Courtroom - now the Oakroom.

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The New Curiosity Shop is proud to offer its customers "inspirational gifts, jewellery and furniture", a claim which is delivered on all counts, with quality items that you will be proud to own and show to your friends and family.

Coeur de Lion is a world-renowned jewellery range, famous for its cubed collection of necklaces, bracelets and earrings. The Spring/Summer collection is now in-store. For the guys they also feature Fred Bennett for men, a modern range of silver and stainless steel pendants, bracelets and rings; as well as the Simon Carter iconic British collection that includes contemporary style cufflinks, wallets, pens, bags and coming soon retro style watches.

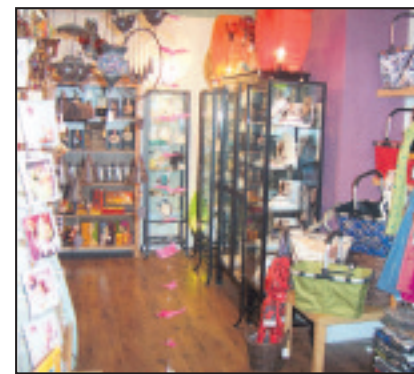
You will also discover some unusual items which are certain to become must have items in the near future such as Reischel's chic shopping baskets and bags. These are flawless in design and versatile for shopping in style about town or at the local market.

Sarah Hough creates contemporary paper goods on 100% recycled paper. She is proud that her stationery is both designed and printed in Dorset. This range is available through The New Curiosity Shop along side rustic hand made furniture made from reclaimed timber and metal in the designers Dorset workshop. These are beautiful, functional and unique pieces of furniture including bespoke mirrors, coffee tables, display units and wine racks. Continuing the home and interior theme, a Dorset based award winning photographer shows atmospheric photographs of Dorset coast and landscapes through the shop. These are sold as stunning signed mounted prints ready to be framed.

If you have children, you will want to check out

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They also stock a large range of craft and science based toys, benefiting from repeat business from many teachers and playgroups, as well as parents and grandparents. The TP Activity outdoor toy range is available from the store, which includes trampolines and climbing frames all of which can be delivered throughout the West Dorset.

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Entertainment whatever the weather

Britain's award winning Dinosaur Museum has twice been chosen as one of Britain's Top Ten Hands On Museums. Such hands on displays as the 'feely box' and 'feel a fossil' mean discovering about dinosaurs is fun, and the 'Dinosaur Discovery' Gallery upstairs is filled with even more interactive displays.

Among the most popular exhibits are the life-size dinosaur

reconstructions, which include Tyrannosaurus rex, Triceratops and Deinonychus. Dina - a life-size reconstruction of a Corythosaurus - is very special as she was made for a former Dr Who series.

The Dinosaur Museum is the only museum on mainland Britain solely devoted to dinosaurs and is situated in the centre of Dorchester - a Gateway town for the Jurassic Coast. There are actual

fossils and skeletons, plus multimedia displays to excite and entertain any visitor whatever their age, and whatever the weather. There are always new things to see and do making it great family fun!

On Wednesday 14th April between 11am and 12.30pm the Museum is hosting the national launch and book signing of the new "Scary Bones meets The Dinosaurs of the Jurassic Coast" book

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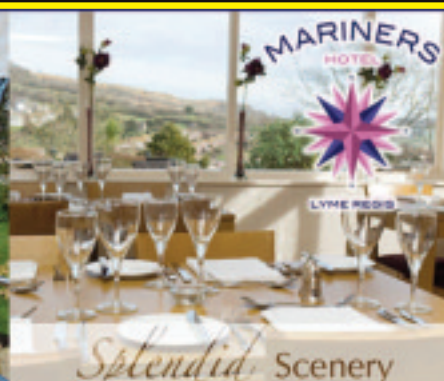
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View 2 Music

Countdown to the festival season

WELL the clocks have gone forward and, although you might not think it, spring is here. That means it's time to make sure you've got your tickets sorted for this summer's hottest festivals. And this year music lovers are spoilt for choice.

There are literally hundreds of festivals - large and small - taking place across the country this summer. If I mentioned them all we'd be here until the autumn, so, instead, over the next few weeks I'll be focusing on those giant festivals; you know, the ones that are so hyped they can never live up to your expectations and sell out within about two minutes of the tickets going on sale. Nearer the time there'll be a column on those festivals a little more personal, less corporate and closer to home.

The first of those monster festivals is strictly for the music fan who likes to ROCK. The **Download Festival** (June 11th-13th) is now in its eighth year and with a capacity of 111,000 is the second largest festival in the UK. This year's line-up at Donington Park is headlined by **AC/DC**, **Rage Against The Machine** and **Aerosmith**.

Weekend tickets with camping are £170 (without camping £140) and day tickets are £75 each.

If you're not so much of a metalhead, the **Isle of Wight Festival** takes place the same weekend. This is the ninth event since this legendary festival was revived in 2002, and weekend tickets (with camping) are £150.

There's something for everyone amongst the headliners with hip-hop megastar **Jay-Z** topping the bill on Friday, fellow New Yorkers **The Strokes** on the Saturday and - making sure the festival stays in touch with its Sixties roots - **Paul McCartney** on the Sunday.

The daddy of all festivals - **Glastonbury** - takes place from June 25th-27th. This year **U2** break off from their US tour to make their Pilton debut on the Friday night, old favourites **Muse** play the Pyramid Stage on Saturday, whilst the fantastic **Stevie Wonder** makes his first Somerset appearance on Sunday night.

If you haven't got your tickets yet, you still have a chance of getting your hands on some... as long as you pre-registered on the Glasto web site by the end of March.

This Sunday (April 11th) there's a re-sale of cancelled tickets (that's tickets people paid a deposit on but failed to pay off the balance by the deadline) taking place at 9am at www.seetickets.com/g2010. The numbers are limited and the remaining tickets are expected to sell out quickly.

The same weekend as Glasto, there's a festival of sorts (well, it can't be a proper music festival with no camping, can it?!) in one of London's royal parks - **Hyde Park Calling**. This two-stage event is headlined by **Pearl Jam** on the Friday (£47.50), **Stevie Wonder** on the Saturday (£50) and **Paul McCartney** on Sunday (£62.50). Three-day tickets aren't available, but you can get yourself a Stevie Wonder / Macca combo ticket for £100.

Like the Isle of Wight, Hyde Park has revived its Sixties reputation as being one of the places for outdoor live music events during the summer months. The week after Hard Rock Calling, the park hosts another festival (again, no camping) aimed at the younger market.

Pink headlines the first night of the **Wireless Festival** on Friday, July 2nd, with **LCD Soundsystem** on the Saturday (July 3rd) and **Jay-Z** on the Sunday (July 4th). Day tickets are £47.50 and weekend tickets £110.

But I'm planning on spending that weekend at the **Hop Farm Festival** down in Kent. Only a one-day event, the festival still offers camping on the Friday and Saturday night. This year the festival is headlined by **Bob Dylan**, with other acts on the bill including The Kinks' Ray Davies and the infamous Pete Doherty. The event is proud not to incorporate any sponsorship or branding, and is the closest you'll get to the spirit of the festivals of yesteryear.

Next week we'll be previewing yet more festivals coming up over the summer months, including **V Festival**, Scotland's **T in the Park**, the Isle of Wight's **Bestival** and **Reading**.

by James Coles



STEVIE WONDER | The Motown legend plays both this summer's Glastonbury Festival and Hyde Park Calling

Spirit of the Drum

ANYONE who has seen the magic of Japanese Taiko (the word means drums) will know what a truly amazing spectacle it really is. And although based in the decidedly Near West (Exeter, actually), Kagemusha Taiko is certainly no disappointment in this noble art which puts the drummer firmly in front.

This show is a masterclass of fast paced, highly energetic and beautifully choreo-

graphed drumming and has been wowing audiences for more than a decade.

Sometimes loud and crashing other times soft and subtle this will be like drumming that you've never seen before. Or as they put it: "Their repertoire covers everything from intricate solos and duets to a full-frontal sonic and visual assault."

Kagemusha Taiko, the largest ensemble of its type in the country, have played around the UK and Europe including the BBC Proms.

Under the Artistic Directorship of Jonathan Kirby, who trained with leading Californian taiko group San Jose Taiko, the group has performed to great acclaim and appeal to all ages.

Formerly a long-term kit drummer, Kirby played in a string of groups including Diatribe (one of



John Peel's favourites in the 1980s).

Their latest show *Spirit of the Drum* features new players and repertoire and combines graceful moves and melodies with power, vigour and unstoppable joy.

Kagemusha Taiko: *Spirit of the Drum* is at the Bridport Arts Centre, South Street, on Saturday, April 10th at 7.30pm. For tickets call the box office on 01308 424204. Tickets are priced at £10, £9 for supporters, £7 for concessions.

Parents use the power of music

CHILDREN'S charity Barnardo's is preparing to 'make a song and dance' about its latest free events for Dorset families.

Broadmayne Children's Centre will be hosting a series of music and movement sessions designed to support local parents.

The monthly events are for parents and carers of children aged up to five years old.

They will be run by a qualified music teacher who will use music and dance to increase physical activity, boost learning and development, and encourage families to make new friends.

The events will take place at Broadmayne Children's Centre on the Wednesdays of April 21st, May 19th and June 16th, at Charminster Village Hall on April 14th, May 12th and June 9th, and Sherborne Catholic Church Hall on April 7th, May 10th and June 2nd. All sessions run from 10-11.30am.

Barnardo's team leader Julia Lake said: "This is another great example of how children's centres can transform local lives."

"It has been added to our calendar as a direct result of feedback from our parent forum, which guides the provision of activities."

"Music and movement sessions are a fun way for parents to bond with their children and to introduce themselves to other mums and dads."

"It also means we can signpost them to all of the other free services provided by the team, such as support with health, training and employment."

Broadmayne Children's Centre provides free advice and support to local families with children up to the age of five years old.

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Climb the mast of tall ship Lord Nelson

ARE you looking for an unusual challenge for 2010?

If so, then why not climb the 110ft mast of the magnificent tall ship Lord Nelson which will be moored up in Portland Harbour on Sunday May 9th.

The Jubilee Sailing Trust and Weldmar Hospicecare Trust are offering the public the opportunity to climb to the top (called 'the button') or as far as you feel able.

The climb is open to everyone over 16 years of age, regardless of physical condition. However, all applications will be subject to a review of their medical form by the doctor of the Jubilee Sailing Trust.

Climbers are asked to raise £150 in sponsorship and make a donation of £25 payable to the Jubilee Sailing Trust to secure a place which will count towards the sponsorship target which will be equally divided between the two charities.

Contact Sue Leighton in Fundraising for more information on 01305 215315 or email: sue.leighton@weld-hospice.org.uk.



Poetry for Pleasure

by Frank McGarry

EARLY in February we featured the poetry of 2nd Lieutenant Edward Thomas who was killed by a German shell in April 1917. Edward had a wife, Helen, and a daughter and also a close friend, Eleanor Farjeon, who had fallen in love with him. Eleanor was his walking companion and his typist but she never dared reveal her true feelings for Edward because she knew that doing so could end their relationship. When Edward was due to depart for the battlefields of Flanders, Eleanor wrote this poem.

Now That You Too

Now that you too must shortly go the way
Which in these bloodshot years uncounted men
Have gone in vanishing armies day by day,
And in their numbers will not come again:
I must not strain the moments of our meeting
Striving each look, each accent, not to miss,
Or question of our parting and our greeting,
Is this the last of all? Is this - or this?

Last sight of all it may be with these eyes,
Last touch, last hearing, since eyes, hands, and ears,
Even serving love, are our mortalities,
And cling to what they own in mortal fears: -
But oh, let end what will, I hold you fast
By immortal love, which has no first or last.

Edward knew that Eleanor loved him but he didn't love her in return in quite the same way. He

loved his wife Helen and always remained a faithful husband to her. Helen and Eleanor were also close friends to one another. Edward wrote beautiful verses about both of the ladies in his life. This is one he wrote about Eleanor.

No One So Much As You

No one so much as you
Loves this my clay,
Or would lament as you
Its dying day.

You know me through and through
Though I have not told,
And though with what you know
You are not bold.

None ever was so fair
As I thought you:
Not a word can I bear
Spoken against you.

All that I ever did
For you seemed coarse
Compared with what I hid
Nor put in force.

My eyes scarce dare meet you
Lest they should prove
I but respond to you
And do not love.

We look and understand,
We cannot speak
Except in trifles and
Words the most weak.

For I at most accept
Your love, regretting
That is all: I have kept
Only a fretting

That I could not return
All that you gave
And could not ever burn
With the love you have,

Till sometimes it did seem
Better it were
Never to see you more
Than linger here

With only gratitude
Instead of love -
A pine in solitude
Cradling a dove.

If you have a short poem of your own that you would like to share with our readers please send it to: "Poetry for Pleasure", View from Publishing Ltd., St Michael's Business Centre, Lyme Regis, Dorset, DT7 3QF. Or e-mail it to us at: pemedia@pemedia.co.uk

Here comes Herring

BRITISH comedian and writer Richard Herring is probably most famous for his part in the double-act, Lee & Herring. However, it's lesser known that Richard Herring also contributed to the third series of Matt Lucas and David Walliams' multi-award winning TV sketch show Little Britain, as well as penning a large portion of Al Murray's sitcom vehicle Time Gentlemen Please. With Stewart Lee, Herring also contributed to the creation of the character comic Alan Partridge.

Herring's contributions to British comedy through both his writing and performing have him described by the British Theatre Guide, as "one of the leading hidden masters of modern British comedy", but it is perhaps his latest show Hitler Moustache that has made Richard Herring top the bill once more.

As well as being the subject of much controversy, Hitler Moustache, is also receiving universal critical approval and sold out for the entire Edinburgh Festival being listed as the 'must see' show of the festival

and awarded 4 out of 5 stars. Stewart Lee said of the piece, "I think the 20 minute bit about why racists are less racist than you is an all time great slice of stand-up that stands comparison with the best bits of the best comedians ever."

Herring says that the original idea behind Hitler Moustache, was to see if he "could reclaim the toothbrush moustache for comedy – it was Charlie Chaplin's first, then Hitler ruined it." The show has been awarded 4 out of 5 stars from Time Out as well as golden reviews from some of Britain's toughest critics. It's political comedy at its most effective and questioning, and quite simply unmissable.

Following a 10 night run at London's Leicester Square theatre, Richard Herring will be performing Hitler Moustache for one night only on Saturday, April 10th at Bridport's Electric Palace. Tickets are on sale now from the Electric Palace box office on 01308 428354.



AN AIM TO RECLAIM | Richard Herring brings 'Hitler Moustache' to the Electric Palace

Dogan destined to delight

IN 2008 Dogan Mehmet's Anglo-Turkish music was recognised for its beauty and rareness when he was selected as a finalist for the BBC Radio 2 Young Folk Award. Since this early success, he has formed an outstanding backing band 'The Deerhunters' and is enjoying growing success as a new British folk star, which has seen him sharing the stage with English folk greats Eliza and Martin Carthy.

Born and bred in Brighton, Mehmet is a second generation Turkish Cypriot, with both sides of his family from the island. His heritage forms a big part of his musical identity, alongside his love for the rich cultural heritage of English traditional music.

Dogan plays violin, guitar, melodeon, tenor guitar as well as many Turkish instruments in a wide cross-section of styles from jazz to soul. With his band The Deerhunters he mixes traditions to create an Anglo-Turkish fusion of gypsy-jazz and folk.

After a very successful first UK tour, Dogan has recently finished working on his debut album 'Gypsy-head', a captivating and energetic mixture of self-penned material and driven tunes from the English Morris and Turkish and Greek Cypriot traditions, giving the Deerhunters a real, diverse sound that screams 'World Fusion'. MOJO reviewed the album "Whether in full Turkish mode, re-jigging English trad, or concocting his own patent mixture of the two, it's a remarkable debut ***"

Some excellent local folk musicians will be providing support for the evening including Mitch Norman and also musician and composer Biddy Marina Blyth. Biddy is best known for working alongside Davy Spillain and Show of Hands and will be playing Irish and Scottish celtic music on a celtic timber flute, whistle and harp and will be accompanied by Steve Jones, a beautifully accomplished piano player from a folk blues background.

Dogan and the Deerhunters plus support are playing live at the Electric Palace on Wednesday 14th April with tickets on sale now from the Bridport Tourist Centre on 01308 424901.

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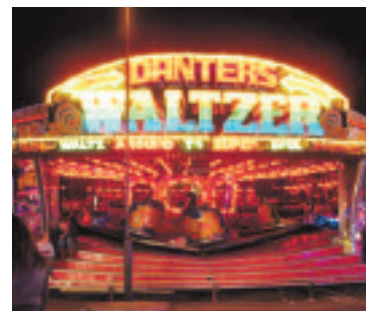
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Sir David said: "Having learnt my television skills in the days of black and white, and been involved with the introduction of colour, I'm thrilled to be part of one of the first 3D television projects. 3D is a wonderful way of seeing the world as the pterosaurs did, and it's to Sky's credit that they've taken on the challenge to be the first to broadcast in 3D."

"Pterosaurs are the most unlikely of creatures, but they dominated the skies for millions of years and now this film will enable us to fly in 3D with the largest flying creatures the world has ever seen."

Flying Monsters 3D will air on Sky 3D later this year before being released in cinemas and IMAX theatres around the world. It will also air in 2D after its premiere.



3D VISION | Sir David's next documentary is sure to be groundbreaking

ACCORDING to The Sun Johnny Vegas has been axed from ITV sitcom Benidorm.

The third series finale saw his character The Oracle sail into the sunset with Telle Garvey (Hannah Hobley).

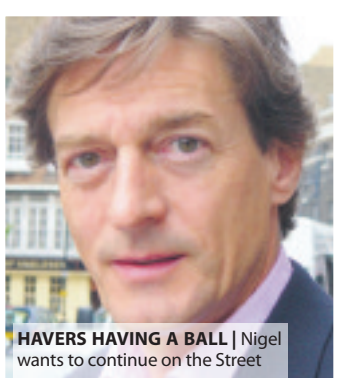
The actor told The Sun:

"Benidorm's happening again but I won't be part of it. Unfortunately it will be fun in the sun without us."

Show bosses have cast a new set of holiday makers to keep the show fresh for a fourth series next year.

THAT old suave Nigel Havers has revealed that he's up for an extended stay on Coronation Street where he plays a smooth escort who had Rita and Audrey scrapping like fisherwomen.

When asked if he'd like to renew his contract with the soap, the actor told TV Times: "Yes. I'm really enjoying myself. This is my first ever soap. Lewis is a fascinating character and he's got a really interesting story arc. Besides, it's always been an ambition of mine. It's so well written and has such a unique take on life."



HAVERS HAVING A BALL | Nigel wants to continue on the Street

by Philip Evans

WOW THAT'S WHAT I CALL MUSIC 3

WOW Youth Musical Theatre was formed in 1982 and over the past 28 years has gone from strength to strength. It currently has a membership of around 50 youngsters between the ages of 10 and 18. WOW produces a major musical at the Pavilion Theatre every November and these productions now costs in the region of £28,000 to produce, using professional directors, orchestra, scenery and costumes. During the year, WOW members also perform in cabarets for charitable organizations, and present a compilation

show in the Pavilion Theatre at Easter time.

This year's show, WOW That's What I Call Music 3, will take place at the Pavilion Theatre, on Friday and Saturday 9th and 10th April at 7.30 with a matinee on Saturday at 2.30. The Director/Choreographer for the show is ex-WOW member Martine Burt, who, since leaving WOW in 1997, has gone on to work in London as a director/choreographer in her own right. Janet Stockley has compiled the show with Martine, Heather Reed as musical di-

rector and assistant choreographer Becky Wells.

The show will feature many well-known medleys including The Best of James Bond, Disney, Michael Jackson, We Will Rock You, Copacabana, Jesus Christ Superstar, The King and I and a classical section.

Tickets cost £12.00 with concessions of £10.50 for senior citizens and under 18's at the Saturday Matinee performance. These are available from the Pavilion Theatre box office, telephone 01305 783225 or on line at www.visitweymouth.co.uk

Another busy term for Lyme Youth Theatre

YOUNG Lyme Youth Theatre members have been very busy this term working with tutor Eli Thorne - who played Nickolai in the theatre's Christmas show - on an adaptation of Philip Pullman's 'Clockwork'. On the last Saturday of term the class presented 'Clockwork' to family and friends at the Marine Theatre - it was a skilful and pol-

ished performance, despite being a challenging story, and the audience were delighted to see how the group have grown in confidence this term.

Next term the YLYT class (8 - 11) will be welcoming back Polly Agg-Manning from Exeter Northcott, and Eli Thorne will be working with the LYT class (Year 7 - 16). Polly and Eli

have some exciting plans for the Summer Term. Polly is also directing the street theatre piece which LYT will be performing at the Fossil Festival and also at Beaminster Festival.

LYT are delighted that Shanty Theatre Company will be back in Lyme again this August with a new production entitled 'A Rat's Tale',

and once again they will be running the LYT Summer School. Dates are 16th - 21st August and places are already being snapped up.

LYT is very proud of the older members who are achieving theatrical success.

Fergus MacPhee is off to do his National Youth Theatre training course in April. Another five LYT members have auditioned for NYT this year and are awaiting results. Bethany Strong has

been accepted for work experience at Cygnet Training Theatre. Holly Henshaw, who finishes an Art and Design Foundation course at Exeter College in June, is off to the prestigious Central School of Speech and Drama in September to study set and costume design.

New members are always welcome. Please contact LYT@marine.theatre.com or telephone the Theatre Office on 01297 442394

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April 14th, 28th, May 12th  
7.30pm - 9.30pm

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## View 2 Cinema

Ellen's electric in  
Drew's Whip It

ACTRESS Drew Barrymore's directorial debut "Whip It" (12A) has already received many positive reviews.

Based on Shauna Cross' novel "Derby Girl", the film stars Ellen Page who rose to fame as "Juno" in 2007.

Page plays teenage misfit Bliss Cavendar from Bodeen in Texas. During a weekend away, Bliss discovers a roller derby and decides to join a team herself, despite the disapproval of her parents.

She soon becomes top of the team and has to convince her parents that roller derby is the only place she really fits in.



**HIGH ROLLER** | Ellen Page (Juno) takes centre stage in Drew Barrymore's directorial debut

JULIANNE Moore ("A Single Man") and Jonathan Rhys Meyers ("The Tudors") star in supernatural horror "Shelter" (15).

The film follows a psychiatrist, who discovers that the multiple personalities of one of her patients are all murder victims. As she tries to find out more, she puts herself in more and more danger. Released Friday, April 9th.

UPCOMING release "Cemetery Junction" (15) was written and directed by comedians Ricky Gervais and Stephen Merchant.

Based in 1970s England, the comedy follows three working class best friends played by Christian Cooke, Tom Hughes and Jack Doolan, who are stuck in small town life.

Freddie (Cooke) has modern ambitions and lands a job as a door-to-door salesman. He soon falls in love with his boss' daughter, Julie (Felicity Jones), who just happens to be engaged to a new colleague.

With high hopes of following his dreams, Freddie convinces his two friends to leave town with him and he asks Julie to join them on their adventure... but will everything go as planned?

Released Wednesday, April 14th.

by Francesca Evans



**UP THE JUNCTION** | Felicity Jones, Christian Cooke, Tom Hughes and Jack Doolan star in Ricky Gervais and Stephen Merchant's Cemetery Junction

CINEMA  
LISTINGS

## Lyme Regis Regent

Broad Street, Lyme Regis  
Tel: 0871 230 3200

Friday, Apr 9th - Thursday, Apr 15th

**Nanny McPhee and the Big Bang (U)**

Daily: 14.25, 17.25, (18.00)

**Shutter Island (15)**

Daily: (20.25)

( ) = Subtitled Thursday

**Silver Screen An Education (12A)**  
Thursday: 10.30am. Tickets £3.25

## Dorchester Plaza

32 Trinity St., Dorchester  
Tel: 01305 262488

www.plazadorchester.com

Friday, Apr 9th - Thursday, Apr 15th

**How to train your dragon (in 3D) (PG)**

Daily: 12.30, 15.05, 17.40

**Clash of the Titans (in 3D) (12A)**

Daily: 20.10

**Clash of the Titans (in 2D) (12A)**

Daily: 14.35, 17.10

**Nanny McPhee and the Big Bang (U)**

Daily: 12.00, 14.35, 17.10, 19.45

## Weymouth Cineworld

New Bond St, Weymouth  
Tel: 0871 200 2000

www.cineworld.co.uk

Friday, Apr 2nd - Thursday, Apr 8th

**Clash of the Titans 3D (12A)**

Daily: 10.30, 13.00, 15.30, 18.00, 19.00, 20.30, 21.30

**How to train your dragon 3D (PG)**

Daily: 11.10, 13.30, 15.50, 18.10

**How to train your dragon 2D (PG)**

Daily: 10.20, 12.20, 14.40, 17.00 (Excl Sat: 10.20)

**Kick-Ass (15)**

Fri-Mon: 12.20, 15.00, 17.45, 20.20, 21.20

Tue-thu: 12.20, 15.00, 17.45, 20.20

**Cemetery Junction (15)**

Tue-Thu: 18.40, 21.00

**Nanny McPhee & The Big Bang (U)**

Daily: 11.10, 12.10, 13.40, 14.40, 16.10, 17.10

**Remember Me (12A)**

Fri - Mon: 16.00, 18.30, 21.00

tue - Thu: 20.00

**Shutter Island (15)**

Daily: 20.00

**The Blind Side (12A)**

Fri - Mon: 10.20, 13.00, 19.30

Tue - Thu: 19.30

**Whip It! (12A)**

Daily: 10.45, 13.15, 15.45, 18.15, 20.50

**Dear John (12A)**

Daily: 11.00, 13.30, 16.00, 18.30, 21.00

**Alice in Wonderland 3D (PG)**

Daily: 11.30, 14.00, 16.30, 20.40

**Aliens in the Attic (PG)**

Sat: 10.10

**Hotel for Dogs (U)**

Sat: 10.05

**Planet 51 (U)**

Sat: 10.00

ALL LISTINGS ARE SUBJECT  
TO LATE CHANGES

WIN A FAMILY TICKET TO  
ATHELHAMPTON HOUSE

ATHELHAMPTON House is frequently referred to as 'The quintessential English manor house', and quite rightly so.

Set in beautifully kept grounds, the earliest parts of Athelhampton House date back to Tudor times. The House was built by Sir William Martyn, and having been the family seat for the next four generations, an uncertain two century period saw the house become almost derelict. The house was then restored in the 1890s by Alfred Cart de Lafontaine.

One famous frequent visitor was Thomas Hardy, who even painted a beautiful watercolour when he was 19 entitled 'Athelhall'.

Athelhampton was acquired by the Cooke family in 1957 and is still a family home as well as welcoming thousands of visitors.

The Great Hall is an exceptional example of early Tudor architecture with heraldic glass, linenfold panelling and its original carved roof timbers. The house contains an outstanding collection of English furni-

ture from Jacobean to late Victorian.

The formal gardens were built in 1891 by Alfred Cart de Lafontaine, and Francis Inigo Thomas designed four Ham stone courts in the Elizabethan style.

The Great Court was originally intended to be a rose garden but after 100 years has evolved into a unique topiary spectacle. Twelve giant pyramids stand over 30 feet high. The compartments of the garden form a labyrinth of rooms each with their own theme and character. Water forms the recurring feature with fountains, pools and the River Piddle.

For a chance to win a family ticket (two adults and up to three children) just answer the following question:

**How many giant pyramids are there in the gardens at Athelhampton House?**

Send your answer to: Athelhampton comp, Lyme Media & Events, Unit 3, St Michael's Business Centre, Church Street, Lyme Regis, Dorset, DT7 3DB. Deadline for entries is Friday, April 30th 2010. Winners will be picked at random, editor's decision is final.



**ATHELHAMPTON HOUSE** | A beautiful setting for a great family day out

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## 2010 events at Athelhampton House

**NCCPG Plant Sale** - Sunday, May 2nd

**Duke's Classic Car Auction** - Tuesday, May 18th (viewing days on Sunday 16th and Monday, May 17th)

**Flower Festival** - Sun 13th - Thursday, June 17th

**MG Owner's Club** - Sunday, August 8th

**Open Air Theatre** - Pride & Prejudice, Fri, Aug 27th

**5 Churches Fete** - Bank Holiday Monday, August 30th

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## Jacaranda Treasures Antiques, Collectors and Crafts Fairs 2010

THE Upwey and Broadway Memorial Hall was built in 1955 in memory of our fallen Heroes in the 1st and 2nd World Wars. It is centrally situated between two villages in Upwey on Victoria Avenue just off the A354 between Dorchester and Weymouth in Dorset. If you are using satellite navigation you simply need to enter DT3 5NG as you destination point.

The Memorial Hall is a very spacious and well appointed community hall with superb facilities. The Jacaranda Treasures Fairs give an opportunity to exhibit antiques, collectibles, crafts of worldwide origin such as glassware, china, porcelain, ceramics, paintings, pictures, books, magazines, postcards, stamps, photographs, jewellery, furniture, silver and gold artefacts, toys, dolls, teddy bears, pottery, horticulture, records, CD's, DVD's, designer clothing, art deco, period items etc.

There will be refreshments, parking and disabled facilities, and there will be 30 Stalls with additional space and large stage.

There are monthly shows from June to December 2010, doors open 9.30am to 5pm, admission to public is 50p.



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## HOUND AND WILMOT FOR ELECTRIC COMEDY

THE April Electric Comedy show features an incredible double headline bill with Rufus Hound and Mike Wilmot.

Since bursting on to the stand-up scene 5 years ago Rufus Hound has steadily risen to become a household name from his stint as team captain on 'Argumental' and perhaps, more famously from winning BBC's 'Let's Dance For Sport Relief 2010' with a hilarious rendition of Cheryl Cole's 'Fight For This Love'. Rufus is a hugely acclaimed comic, scooping numerous awards from an early stage for his quick-witted and hilarious banter winning over critics and fans the world over and cementing his place on the top-rungs of stand up.

Joining Rufus is internationally acclaimed Canadian stand-up Mike Wilmot. Mike first visited these shores many years ago with his good friend Rich Hall and has gone on to become one of the most in demand headline acts in the UK. As the Sunday Times pointed out "Mike Wilmot leaves the audience in a state of hilarity that most comedians can only dream of" and that is constantly the case as there's never a dry eye in the house after his brilliant set's. Winner of the Time Out Award for best stand-up and also the prestigious Barry Award at the Melbourne Comedy Festival Mike now brings his unique style to Bridport for a simply unmissable show.

Rufus Hound and Mike Wilmot headline Electric Comedy on Thursday, April 22nd at The Electric Palace, 35 South Street, Bridport. Doors open 7pm. Tickets are £10. For tickets call Bridport Tourist Information Centre on 01308 424 901 or online at [www.electricpalace.org.uk](http://www.electricpalace.org.uk).



Rufus Hound

## Charmouth Tai Chi classes

CHARMOUTH TAI CHI groups have been running since 2003 and now have five regular weekly classes in Charmouth, Dorset. Sessions consist of Qigong exercises followed by instruction in Yang style Tai Chi form.

A new Beginners Class will commence after the Easter Break on Wednesday, April 21st at 11.30 am. This will introduce newcomers to the basic qigong and Tai moves, safety and some of the history and theory behind the practices before embarking on their Tai Chi journey. Any of the current Monday "Beginners" who have joined the group since January will be welcome to join this class.



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# Diary Dates

## WEDNESDAY APRIL 7TH

**BRIDPORT:** Roger Snook, Bridport hatter is giving a talk on hats and their history in aid of Ataxia and hall funds at Stoke Abbott Village Hall. All are welcome, and you are invited to wear your most or least favourite hat. Entrance is £4 to include some refreshments.

## FRIDAY APRIL 9TH

**LYME REGIS:** Friendly battle with Bridport Camera Club at Woodmead Halls from 7.30pm. Telephone 01297 444733 for more details. Organised by Lyme Bay Photographic Club.

## SATURDAY APRIL 10TH

**DORCHESTER:** The Dorset Art & Craft Show at the Corn Exchange from 10am - 4pm. Telephone 07730557090 for more details.

## SUNDAY APRIL 11TH

**BRIDPORT:** Wessex Military Band Spring Concert at Bridport Arts Centre from 6pm. Telephone 01308 425010 for tickets or more details.

**WEST BAY, NR BRIDPORT:** Open Morning at the Salt House from 9.30am - 12.30pm. Telephone 01308 425436 for more details.

**BRIDPORT:** The Lions recruitment coffee morning at The Salt House West Bay from 09.30 - 12.30. See the Julia's House charity stall and buy your ticket (£6.50) here for the Travelling Trends Fashion Show being held at the Masonic Hall, Bridport on Thursday, April 29th at 7.30. All proceeds from the fashion show going to Julia's House the Dorset Children's Hospice. Tel 01308 459854 for information.

**BURSTOCK NR BROADWINDSOR:** A walk or sit in garden and lake. 2 course cooked lunch and drink £7.50. At Manor Lodge. Telephone 01308 868652 for more details.

## TUESDAY APRIL 13TH

**BRIDPORT:** History of Wareham talk by Lilian Ladle at Bridport United church, Main Hall from 2.30pm. Telephone 01308 456876 for more details.

## THURSDAY APRIL 15TH

**BEAMINSTER:** The History of Glass making - an illustrated talk by speaker Michael Lester. At Beaminster Museum, Whitcombe Road. From 7.30pm. All welcome, telephone 01308 862880 for more details.

## FRIDAY APRIL 16TH

**BROADMAYNE:** Market 2pm - 3.30pm, St Martin's Community Hall Broadmayne, (next to the Church) Raffle, craft, plants, books, Jigsaws Cards, local trout, sausages and eggs, cakes and preserves and a chance to sit and chat with a cup of tea or coffee. All proceeds for St Martin's Community Hall. For further information please contact Sylvia Dooley 01305 852886.

## SATURDAY APRIL 17TH

**TOLLER PORCUM:** "Spring Greens" - Foraging & Wild Food Course. 10.30am - 2pm. Contact info@hedgerow-harvest.com or visit www.hedgerow-harvest.com.

**BRIDPORT:** Charity Sale at United Church Hall, from 10.15am. In aid of Street Children of India. Telephone 01308 459001 for more details.

## THURSDAY APRIL 22ND

**DORCHESTER:** Concert with Ed Hintz as Elton John and supporting acts. From 7.30pm at Thomas Hardy School Theatre. Fundraising for student to volunteer in South Africa, telephone 07981 011314 for more details.

## FRIDAY APRIL 23RD

**LYME REGIS:** Judging of three slide competitions at Woodmead Halls from 7.30pm. Telephone 01297 444733 for more details. Organised by Lyme bay Photographic Club.

## SUNDAY APRIL 25TH

**TOLLER PORCUM:** "Spring Greens" - Foraging & Wild Food Course. 9.30am - 5.00pm. Contact info@hedgerow-harvest.com or visit www.hedgerow-harvest.com.

## MONDAY APRIL 26TH

**BRIDPORT:** A Paddle along the Piddle - an illustrated talk by speaker Anne King, retired Deputy Warden of Leeson House Field Studies Centre. Presented by the Golden Cap Centre of the National Trust at Bridport United Church Hall, Easter Street. From 7.30pm. All welcome, telephone 01308 863577 for more details.

## SATURDAY MAY 8TH

**BRIDPORT:** Big Cash Prize Charity Quiz at the King's Head, Bradpole from 8.30pm prompt. £10 per team (max 4 per team). There will also be a raffle and Chinese bingo. All proceeds to Joseph Weld Hospice. Book on 01308 425023 or 422520.

## SUNDAY MAY 30TH

**WEYMOUTH:** Teddy Bears Picnic - free. At Greenhill Gardens from 2pm - 4.30pm. Telephone 01305 833469 for more details.

## Dorset Artists at the Royal West of England Academy

DORSET artists, husband and wife Justin Cooke and Nicola Cooke are celebrating their success at having their paintings selected for the prestigious Royal West of England Academy Open Painting Exhibition in Bristol. The RWA has a well known Autumn show every year but they also have a series of exhibitions. The criteria for these is different each year but revolves through disciplines of sculpture,

painting and printmaking etc. This year the exhibition was for painting.

Justin says "The last time was 2005, so like the Olympics it's a long wait to try again if you don't get in"

Unlike other exhibitions it is quite a minimal hang with all paintings hanging 'on the line'; something more often seen in big public galleries such as the Tate or the National Gallery.

Each painting is positioned at eye level with space around them. This makes the final choice of exhibitors a challenge for the selectors. The wonderful Victorian Galleries of the Royal West of England Academy are now hung with just 120 paintings selected from artists working all over the country. Prizes for the best work chosen by the selection committee are donated from The Odin Charitable Trust,

totaling £8,000 for four prizes, The Artists Magazine and Creative Picture Framing. Justin has two paintings including an oil on canvas which won a 'highly commended' award, and Nicola has one painting in the exhibition.

Justin, who recently dispatched a painting to the British Embassy in Washington DC, was earlier this week filmed painting at Abbotsbury Swannery, for a feature

on a programme to go out on BBC Two later this year. Nicola's work can be seen on exhibition locally; at Upwey Old School, Church Street, Upwey, Weymouth on April 10th and 11th. The exhibition will be open from 10am - 6pm.

The Open Painting Exhibition at the Royal West of England Academy is on until May 9th. Details of the exhibition can be found on their

## Lots for youngsters at Radipole Lake

YOUNGSTERS are being invited to spring into action during the Easter holidays at Weymouth Wetlands family-friendly nature reserve.

The RSPB's Radipole Lake is hosting a range of events and activities until April 18th designed to get children out and about and enjoying the first signs of Spring from courting birds to fluttering butterflies.

On Wednesday, April 14th staff will be running a bird bingo day from 10am-3pm when the game will be to spot items around the reserve and mark them off on a colourful card to see who can get a full house!

Families can also hire special backpacks any day throughout the holidays. These contain binoculars, bird ID information cards, bug jars and other tools to help youngsters explore the wonders of Spring on the reserve.

All events are free and anyone who would like more information about what is on offer can contact the Radipole Lake visitor centre in the Swannery car park, Weymouth on 01305-778313.

## Fitness and fun with Salsa Cascara

SALSA Cascara hold weekly Salsa Classes covering Devon and Dorset. The classes, taught by Mal and Bev, are just part of a fun and entertaining evening. Due to the 'Social Dancing' time, between and after classes, it becomes more than just a dance class - it's a great night out!

The classes give you the chance to meet new people, keep fit and help reduce stress levels, all without disrupt-

ing your social life!... More importantly allow you to have fun whilst learning to dance!

Salsa Cascara welcome singles, couples and groups. Over 18s only. UKA Qualified. For further information on the 6 Week Beginner Courses run throughout the year contact Mal or Bev on 01308 458724 or 07870 520340, email salsacascara@hotmail.co.uk or visit www.salsacascara.co.uk

## Beaminster Antiques and Collectables Fair

Public Hall, Beaminster  
9.30am - 4.00pm

*Small furniture, textiles, china, glass, silver, jewellery, books, pictures etc*

Saturday, April 10th

Home made refreshments  
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## CROSSWORD

### Across

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8. Unaware (8)  
9. Man-eating giant (4)  
10. Male goose (6)  
12. Aircraft shed (6)  
14. Melody (6)  
16. Tremble (6)  
18. Asperion (4)  
20. Joy (8)  
22. Regard (13)

### Down

1. Boaster (8)  
2. Harmony (6)  
3. Festivity (4)  
4. Sewn (8)  
5. Command (6)  
6. Agitate (4)  
11. Turncoat (8)  
13. Dislike (8)  
15. Transversely (6)  
17. Signify (6)  
19. Plunder (4)  
21. Affectation (4)

Last week's solution

**Across:** 7 House; 8 Pretend; 9 Absolve; 10 Inter; 12 Compliment; 15 Correspond; 18 Latch; 19 Interim; 21 Incense; 22 Learn.

**Down:** 1 Theatrical; 2 Quest; 3 Feel; 4 Upkeep; 5 Sedition; 6 Heaten; 11 Retirement; 13 Overhang; 14 Protect; 16 Pained; 17 Break; 20 Tilt.

## SUDOKU

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Event .....  
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A modern very spacious and stunning 3 bed penthouse style apartment, sought after town centre location, very large lounge/diner with vaulted ceilings, modern kitchen, modern bathroom, ensuite shower room, stripped wooden floors, views, off street parking, communal garden, lift, internal viewings a must.

**WEST COMPTON - £610 PCM**



A beautiful 2 double bed stone cottage, sought after rural hamlet, stunning views and walks, spacious lounge, modern kitchen/diner, bathroom, sep w.c. large garden, off street parking, pet friendly.

**BRIDPORT - £675 PCM**



Internal viewings advised on this modernised 3 bed house, deceptively spacious, extended lounge / diner, laminate flooring, patio doors, modern kitchen, sep w.c. newly fitted bathroom, diglazing, garden, views to Colmer hill, garage, off street parking, close to town.

**BEAMINSTER - £525 PCM**



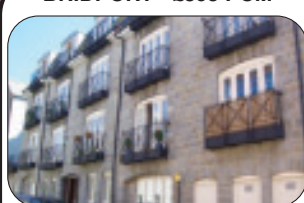
A 2 double bedroom modern flat in a cul-de-sac location with garden, lounge, modern spacious kitchen, bathroom, off street parking & d/glazing.

**LODERS - £550 PCM**



A 2 double bedroom cottage in sought after village close to Bridport, lounge/diner, kitchen, bathroom, dressing room, patio garden, off street parking, available now!

**BRIDPORT - £395 PCM**



A 2nd floor studio apartment with patio doors overlooking the town, lounge/bedroom, kitchen, bathroom, bike store, communal laundrette and storage.

**BRIDPORT - £560 PCM**



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## LYME REGIS

GUIDE PRICE: £600,000



An imposing Grade 11 Listed Regency Villa with magnificent sea views. About half an acre. Quietly tucked away yet only about 250 metres from the town centre. Integral Garage with consent to convert to additional accommodation.

## HAWKCHURCH

GUIDE PRICE: £750,000



An unusually spacious country property. 5 Reception rooms. 4 Bedrooms. Lovely country setting on the edge of this East Devon village. Delightful gardens & grounds with a stream, large pond & 2 paddocks. 2 Garages. In all about 2 ½ acres.

## HAWKCHURCH

GUIDE PRICE: £750,000



A substantial 4 bedroomed barn conversion in a quiet country setting. Courtyard with open fronted garaging/implement store. Gatehouse with carriage arch & adjoining workshops. Stables. 2 Paddocks & woodland. In all about 5 ½ acres.

## UPLYME

GUIDE PRICE: £250,000



A detached 'Colt' bungalow with excellent country views across the Lym Valley. 2 Bedrooms. Attractive mature gardens. Garage.

## LYME REGIS

GUIDE PRICE £295,000



A very spacious apartment on the ground floor of the exclusive Coram Manor. 2 Bedrooms. Private rear courtyard. Communal garden area with a secluded patio overlooking the sea.

## UPLYME

GUIDE PRICE: £225,000



A semi-detached house, requiring general modernisation, in the centre of this East Devon village. 2 Double Bedrooms. Gardens & parking. Views of the Uplyme Valley.





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LYME REGIS

GUIDE PRICE £345,000



A good sized older style detached bungalow recently extended & with a loft conversion. Extension provides separate annexe with scope to incorporate into the principal accommodation. Works incomplete & in need of finishing.

LYME REGIS

GUIDE PRICE £185,000



A detached timber built holiday chalet with stunning views of the sea & Cobb Harbour offering spacious accommodation. 2 Bedrooms. Decking area & garden. Parking space.

LYME REGIS

£375,000 FREEHOLD



Grade Two Listed Freehold premises in a prime town centre location. Recently renovated in a superb contemporary style with much character. Latterly trading as a gallery yet suitable for many other uses.

LYME REGIS

£65,000 LEASEHOLD



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CHARDSTOCK

£640,000



Excellent quality & individually designed modern detached house. Delightful semi rural location in this picturesque village. 4/5 Bedrooms.

SEATON

£239,500



A good quality modern 4 - bed roomed house in an exclusive small courtyard development including a woodland area backing onto the River Axe estuary. Small front & rear gardens. Parking for 2 cars.



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## LYME REGIS - £295,000



Little Ascot an attractive 1920s detached timber frame bungalow is situated in the popular residential area of Colway Lane. The present owners have recently altered the layout and updated the bungalow with the addition of uPVC double glazed conservatory, newly fitted kitchen and gas central heating. The accommodation briefly comprises:- uPVC double glazed conservatory which serves as an entrance to the bungalow, dining room, fitted kitchen with built in appliances, master bedroom with dressing room two further double bedrooms, bathroom and utility room with scope to provide WC/shower room. This property also benefit from gardens and parking for several vehicles.

## LYME REGIS - SALE AGREED



A second floor apartment in this Victorian terrace, situated in this sought-after area close to the harbour and beach, with superb sea, coastal and Cobb harbour views communal entrance hall - entrance hall - living/dining room - kitchenette - 3 bedrooms (1 with en-suite shower room) - separate shower room - superb sea and coastal views.

## LYME REGIS - £345,000



- Entrance Hall
- Sitting Room
- Conservatory
- Kitchen/Dining Room
- Utility/Rear Lobby
- Three Ground Floor Bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Further Bedroom And En-Suite Cloakroom
- Driveway
- Garage
- Gardens
- Swimming Pool

## LYME REGIS £395,995



This luxury two bedroom apartment set on the third floor of a converted former rectory is well located for access to Lyme Regis and The Cobb offering fine views along the Jurassic coast and has a double garage, no onward chain.

## LYME REGIS - £25,000



Accessed over wooden decked area. 3.05m x 1.95m (. 10' x 6' 5")  
Double doors give entry to the living area 2.39m x 1.83m (7' 10" x 6") With wall cupboard and unit under. Full width bench seat with storage under.

## UPLYME - £695,000



- Mediterranean style detached house
- Delightful, elevated location
- Impressive, panoramic views down the Lym Valley to the sea
- Drawing room
- Conservatory & sun deck
- Utility & Study
- Master bedroom suite with en-suite bathroom
- 2 further bedrooms
- Guest suite with en-suite shower room
- Roof terrace with panoramic views
- Double car port

## LYME REGIS - £195,000



- NO stamp duty for First Time Buyer
- Lounge
- Kitchen/ breakfast room
- Two bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Rear garden
- Parking
- Double glazing
- Gas central heating
- Sea views
- Two parking spaces

## ROUSDON - £685,000



- Reception hall
- Drawing room
- Dining room
- Kitchen/breakfast room
- Utility room
- Study
- Cloakroom
- Four double bedrooms
- Two en-suites
- Family bathroom
- Double glazed windows
- Gardens
- Double garage
- Parking

## CHARDSTOCK - £495,000



- Village location
- Individual detached bungalow
- Self contained studio annex
- Detached garage with planning permission
- Kitchen/ breakfast room
- Dining room
- uPVC woodgrain effect double glazing throughout
- Impressive sun lounge/conservatory
- Three bedroom master en suite
- Family bathroom

## LYME REGIS - £650,000



This property offers flexible accommodation and would be suitable for a private home or as commercial enterprise. It is at present run as a long established guest house. Located close to the town with sea views parking and detached owners accommodation.

## LYME REGIS - £43,995



Style Inn is probably the premier hairdressing salon in Lyme Regis and certainly the longest established. It is sold as a going concern to include all high quality fixtures and fittings. It is located in a prime position just off the main shopping street in a select and quaint shopping precinct.

## ROUSDON - £745,000



- Individual spacious house
- Village setting close to Lyme Regis
- Potential annexe / B&B
- 5 bedrooms, 3 en-suite
- Large living room
- Family kitchen / breakfast room
- Dining hall and study
- uPVC double glazed conservatory
- Approx. half acre landscaped garden
- Additional 3.75 acre paddock
- Detached double garage
- Gravelled driveway and parking





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**CHARMOUTH - £163,000**

An opportunity to purchase an attractive second home on the popular Fernhill Heights development between Charmouth and Lyme Regis

- Living Room
- Kitchen
- Ground-Floor Shower Room/WC
- Two Bedrooms (one with en-suite bathroom also accessible from landing)
- Swimming pool
- Fishing lakes
- Set in 36 acres.

**CHARMOUTH - £220,000**

A unique quaint 2 Bed detached cottage set back from the road through a coaching arch in need of renovation

- Lounge
- Kitchen
- Bathroom
- Two First Floor Bedrooms
- Small Cottage Style Garden
- Parking
- Close to the Village Centre and Short Walk to the Beach and Sea.

**CHARMOUTH - £245,000**

Originally the old Coach & Horses Inn, this immaculately presented and spacious first floor apartment, is within easy walking distance of the village shops and Charmouth beach.

- Entrance Lobby
- Inner Lobby
- Entrance Hall
- Lounge
- Kitchen/Dining Room
- Two Double Bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Garage
- Parking

**CHARMOUTH - £160,000**

Delightful 3 bed holiday property set within a purpose built complex with use of swimming pool and fishing lakes.

- Open Plan Living/Dining and Kitchen Area
- Three Bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Parking
- Patio Terrace
- Set in 36 Acres of Grounds
- Use of Hotel Facilities inc
- Swimming Pool
- Fishing Lakes
- Panoramic Countryside Views

**AXMINSTER - £340,000**

A most attractive versatile chalet bungalow with large pretty gardens & detached garage

- Lounge
- Sun room
- Dining room
- Kitchen
- Bathroom
- 2 double ground floor bedrooms
- One large first floor bedroom
- Shower room
- Detached garage/workshop
- Large gardens • GCH • DG.

**CHARMOUTH - £415,000**

Successfully run 6 bedroom holiday letting cottage with indoor heated pool.

- Garage & parking.
- Large Double Ended Lounge • Dining Room
- Kitchen • Cloakroom
- Downstairs Bedroom
- Five First Floor Bedrooms
- Shower Room • Bathroom
- WC
- Indoor Heated Swimming Pool
- Garage and Parking
- Contents included

**CHARMOUTH - £319,000**

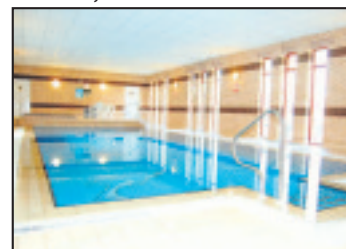
Character quirky period terraced bungalow with panoramic sea views

- Entrance Porch
- Kitchen
- Dining Hall
- Lounge
- Sun Room
- Two Bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Shower Room
- Courtyard Gardens
- Detached Garage
- PANORAMIC COASTAL views

**CHARMOUTH - £359,000**

A well proportioned 3 bed period property near the centre of the village with garage and gardens

- Entrance Hall
- Lounge
- Kitchen/Diner
- Master Bedroom with Ensuite Shower Room
- Two Further Bedrooms
- Family Bathroom
- Rear Southerly Garden
- Garage and Parking

**CHARMOUTH - £110,000**

Brand new 2 bed HOLIDAY LODGE located on popular coastal holiday park

- Open Plan Living Area
- Lounge
- Dining Area
- Kitchen
- Master Bedroom with Ensuite
- Further Double Bedroom
- Bathroom
- Fully Furnished
- Full use of Newlands Holiday Park facilities.





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## SALES

## BRIDPORT

£124,950



- One Bedroom
- First Floor Apartment
- For The Over 55
- Living Room With Balcony
- Viewing Advised

## BURTON BRADSTOCK £129,950



- One Double Bedroom
- Ground Floor Flat
- Share Of Freehold
- Living Room
- Kitchen
- Bathroom
- Sought After Village
- No Onward Chain

## BRIDPORT

£140,000



- One/two Bedrooms
- Living Room
- Conservatory
- Shower Room
- Courtyard Garden
- Separate Outbuilding
- Walking Distance To Town
- Ideal First Time Buy

## BRIDPORT

£175,950



- Three Bedroom Terraced House
- Two Reception Rooms
- Off Street Parking
- Garage
- No Onward Chain

## BRIDPORT

£184,950



- Two / Three Bedroom Terraced House
- Downstairs Cloakroom
- Dining Hall
- Easy Maintenance Garden
- Situated Off South St
- Recently Renovated
- Viewing Advised

## BRIDPORT

£194,950



- Three Double Bedroom
- End Terrace
- Family Home
- Living/Dining Room
- Kitchen/ Breakfast Room
- Attached Workshop/ Studio
- Good Decorative Order
- No Onward Chain

## WEST BAY

£199,950



- Two Double Bedroom Semi Detached House
- Living Room
- Kitchen/diner
- Conservatory
- Off Street Parking
- Sought After Development
- No Onward Chain

## BRIDPORT

£234,950



- Three Bedroom Semi Detached Bungalow
- Living Room
- Conservatory
- Utility Room
- Garage And Parking
- Good Sized Gardens
- Viewing Advised

## BRIDPORT

£239,950



- Three Bedroom Semi Detached Family Home
- Through Lounge
- Separate Dining Room
- Downstairs Cloakroom
- Off Street Parking
- Integral Garage
- Good Sized Gardens

## BRIDPORT

£284,950



- Three Bedroom
- Detached Bungalow
- Stunning Country Views
- Two Reception Rooms
- Snug
- Conservatory
- Garage And Ample Parking
- No Onward Chain

## BRIDPORT

£289,950



- Three Bedroom Detached Bungalow
- Living Room
- Four Peice Bathroom
- Garage And Parking
- Viewing Advised

## MORCOMBELAKE

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- Three Double Bedroom Detached Family Home
- Two Reception Rooms
- Downstairs Wetroom
- Kitchen / Breakfast Room
- Utility Room
- Garage And Parking
- Country And Sea Views

## LETTINGS

## BRIDPORT

£575pcm



A modern two bedroom apartment in walking distance to the town, recently renovated. Comprising, hallway, two bedrooms, bathroom, kitchen area, lounge and one parking space. Available Now – UF

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£850pcm



A spacious family home close to the town, comprising entrance hall, cloakroom, lounge with patio doors to the garden, kitchen/diner, three bedrooms with master en-suite, gardens, garage and parking. Available Now – UF

## CHIDEOCK

£895pcm



A detached family home in a sought after village, comprising, entrance, lounge, kitchen / dinner, cloakroom, three bedrooms, bathroom, garage, parking and enclosed garden. Available Now – UF

## CHIDEOCK

£895pcm



A well presented detached stone property in the sought after village of Chideock situated in a semi-rural location with views, comprising entrance hall, cloakroom, kitchen/breakfast room, lounge with feature fireplace, three bedrooms, bathroom, gardens surrounding and parking. Available March UF





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**BRIDPORT - £285,000**



- Detached Four Bedroom Home
- Lounge/Diner,



- Sunroom, Study
- Kitchen, Utility & Cloakroom
- En-Suite & family Bathroom

- Garden & Double Garage
- uPVC D/G & Gas CH
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- Victorian Double Fronted House
- Three Bedrooms, Bathroom
- Large Kitchen/

- Dining Room
- Two Reception Rooms
- Approx. 190 Ft Rear Garden
- Full of Charm & Character

**AXMINSTER - £182,500**



- Semi Detached Bungalow
- Presented in Excellent Order

- Two Bedroom
- Bathroom
- Kitchen, Lounge



- Conservatory
- Gardens Front & Back
- Driveway & Garage

**THORNCOMBE - £305,000**



- Detached 3 Bedroom Home
- Spacious Lounge & Kitchen/Diner
- Master En-Suite, Utility & Cloakroom

- Attractively Presented
- Enclosed Garden & Garage
- Very Active Village with Shop & PO

**BRIDPORT - £198,000**



- Three Bedroom Semi Detached
- Half a Mile to Town
- Lounge
- Dining Room

- Kitchen/Breakfast Room
- Large Garage
- Gardens Front & Back
- Very Well Presented

**BRIDPORT - £395,000**



- Detached Home with Views
- 4-5 Bedrooms – Two En-Suites
- Lounge, Dining Room & Study

- Garage & Driveway Parking
- Large Garden with Summer House
- Tucked Away but Convenient Location

**UPLYME - £415,000**



- Detached 2-3 Bedroom Chalet Bungalow With Self Contained 1 Bed Annexe
- Set in Large Secluded

- Plot of Approx. ¼ Acre or more Woodland Views
- Ideal Home with Business Or Space for Dependent Relative

**ROUSDON - £450,000**



- Substantial Barn Conversion
- Small Settlement in Semi-Rural Location
- Lounge, Dining Room, Sun Room
- Spacious Re-Fitted

- Kitchen
- Utility Room, Study, Large Hall
- Four Bedrooms, Mstr En Suite
- Parking, Carport, Workshop

**WEST BAY - £320,000**



- Grade II Listed 3 Bed Semi
- Spacious Accommodation
- Two Reception Rooms
- Kitchen &

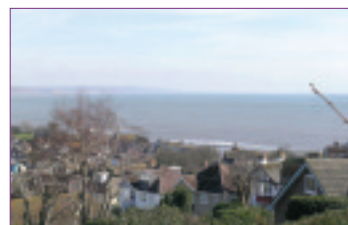
- Workshop/Studio
- Many Period Features
- Secluded Rear Garden & Garage
- Short Walk to Beach & Shops

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- Must View to Appreciate

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A 5 Bedroom 3 Storey Townhouse, in a town centre location, with a courtyard garden. Available May 1st, with the option of a long let.



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A three double bedroom chalet bungalow, situated on the cliff tops, with a glorious view over the bays. Available 1st May, unfurnished, on a 6 month let.

### BRIDPORT

CALL: 01308 459565



**Beaminster £525pcm**

A well presented two bedroom first floor flat located on the outskirts of Beaminster. Benefiting from garden, balcony, parking and central heating. Available immediately.



**Beaminster £550pcm**

An attractive and very spacious two bedroom character cottage with garden and gas central heating, situated within walking distance of the town square. Available immediately.



**Bridport £575pcm**

A recently refurbished two bedroom end of terrace house with accommodation laid out over three floors, situated within walking distance of the town centre. Available immediately.



**Bridport £750pcm**

A modern three bedroom, (one en-suite) semi-detached house with parking and enclosed garden, situated in a tucked away position in the town centre.

### DORCHESTER

CALL: 01305 261171



**Dorchester £550pcm**

A well presented one bedroom end of terrace property with small front area and allocated parking space situated close to the hospital and amenities. No children, smokers or DSS. Available now



**Weymouth £850pcm**

A detached 3 bedroom newly built traditional style house with courtyard garden and one allocated parking space, located within walking distance of the town centre. Available late April.



**Nr. Weymouth £1000pcm**

A well presented 5 bedroom family house in this popular coastal village, with double garage, enclosed garden and oil fired central heating. Children and a well behaved pet considered. Available end of April



**Sydling St Nicholas £1350 pcm**

Traditional farm cottage set in idyllic location with surrounding countryside. Offering two reception rooms, three bedrooms, large gardens, parking, loose boxes/stables and 4 acres of land/paddock. Available now



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## Volkswagen Polo named 2010 world car of the year

**VOLKSWAGEN AG and Volkswagen of America, Inc. are proud to announce that the Polo has been honoured as the 2010 World Car of the Year. With 59 of the top automotive journalists from around the globe judging, the Polo surpassed a total of 29 other nominees. Announced this morning at the New York International Auto Show in New York City's Jacob Javits Center, the annual World Car of the Year awards recognize the year's most outstanding vehicles based on merit, value, safety, environmental impact, significance, and emotional appeal.**

"We're honoured that the Volkswagen Polo was chosen by this distinguished group of jurors," said Prof. Dr. Martin Winterkorn, Chairman of the Board of Management of Volkswagen AG. "After the great triumph of the Golf last year, we are delighted to repeat this success with the new Polo. These automobiles have reaped numerous awards, winning well-nigh every prize the automotive industry has to award. This shows that Volkswagen is on the right track and is offering arguably the best range of products in its history."

The latest generation of the Volkswagen Polo has quickly become a favorite in the brand's lineup to drivers and media alike, with its uncluttered, timeless design, and exceptional versatility and efficiency. More than 230,000 customers worldwide have placed orders for the newest version of Volkswagen's popular subcompact vehicle.

Now in their seventh year, the World Car of the Year awards, have become one of the most credible and significant programs of its kind. The World Car jurors hail from 25 countries, and are appointed by the World Car Steering Committee on the basis of their ex-

pertise, experience, credibility, and influence. Each juror drives and evaluates new vehicles on a regular basis as part of his ongoing, full-time professional work, and, collectively with all the jurors, reaches millions of consumers and automotive enthusiasts across the globe.

In a separate award, the BlueMotion product brand consisting of the Golf, Passat, and Polo, was declared the 2010 World Green Car of the Year by the World Car of The Year organisation.

The 59 member jury awarded the BlueMotion product brand over two other finalists in the 2010 World Green Car award: the Honda Insight and the Toyota Prius.

Jurors felt that: "It is not necessary to add an electric motor and a heavy battery pack to achieve class-leading efficiency. Based on Volkswagen's common rail diesel engines,

the BlueMotion models are among the most fuel-efficient vehicles on the market. In fact, the Passat BlueMotion can travel just about 1,000 miles on one tank of fuel in the European cycle. As far as internal combustion engines go today, these models are the ultimate you can get."

"BlueMotion is one of the most successful efficiency brands worldwide. It stands for tremendous competence in efficient and economical drive trains at Volkswagen," said Prof. Dr. Martin Winterkorn, Chairman of the Board of Management of Volkswagen AG, delighted about the appreciation by the jury.

The award was received at the New York International Auto Show on Thursday morning by Walter de Silva, head of design for Volkswagen Group.



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## Renault confirms pricing and specification for new Wind Coupé-Roadster

Stylish, yet practical Wind Coupé-Roadster 'Collection' limited edition available to pre-order later in April. Customer ordering for standard range opens in May for first deliveries in July

Two-model range: Dynamique and Dynamique S, with limited edition Collection at launch

Priced £15,500 to £18,200, significantly undercutting likely rivals such as Mazda MX-5 Roadster Coupé and Peugeot 207CC

Comprehensive list of standard equipment includes: 16" alloy wheels, air conditioning, cruise control, ESC, front fog lights, electric retractable hard top and sport seats

OVERCAST skies might have temporarily replaced the spring sunshine, but there is a glimmer of summer on the horizon as Renault releases pricing and specification details for its Wind Coupé-Roadster, one of the most eagerly-awaited and affordable open-top cars of the year, priced from £15,500.

With its quick-folding roof, the new Wind Coupé-Roadster is capable of taking the indifferent British climate in its stride all-year round. In just 12 seconds, the single-piece roof can be rotated through 180 degrees to let in the sun's rays, or more likely, to protect against more frequent downpours.

With the car's development handled by performance and handling experts, Renaultsport, plus fitment of the engine from the Twingo Renaultsport 133 on the 1.6-litre versions, buyers can be assured that Wind Coupé-Roadster will drive as good as it looks.

The chic new two-seater will be available to pre-order later in April in exclusive, range-topping 'Collection' limited edition guise, of which just 200 will find their way to the UK. Customer ordering for the rest of the range, Dynamique and Dynamique S, opens in May, ahead of first deliveries in July.

Two petrol engines are available, the fiery and flexible 133hp 16-valve 1.6 from Twingo Renaultsport, or the smooth and responsive 1.2 TCe 100.

The entry-level Dynamique offers impressive core equipment levels with ABS with EBD (Electronic Brakeforce Distribution), front and lateral driver and passenger airbags, brake assist, ESC, immobiliser

and electric retracting hard top roof.

Moving up the range to the likely best-seller, Dynamique S adds 2x35W radio CD MP3 reader with fingertip remote control, 17" alloy wheels, auto lights and wipers, Thatcham category 1 alarm, Bluetooth connectivity and multi-functional TunePoint (USB connection).

Completing the launch line-up for Renault's new compact convertible is the limited edition Collection, offering additional luxury and style for the discerning buyer both inside and out. Its impressive equipment tally includes electrically adjustable and heated chrome effect door mirrors, carbon black leather-faced heated seats, gloss black retractable

roof, red and chrome dash inserts, leather sport wheel and gearknob, aluminium pedals, subtle 'Collection' side and boot badges, plus double chrome roof cover cowl.

In addition to the impressive equipment levels, several options should keep even the most comfort and technology-conscious buyers happy. For Dynamique models, these include 2x35W radio CD MP3 reader with Bluetooth and fingertip remote control (£300), multi-functional TunePoint (USB connection, £100) and climate control and auto lights and wipers (£300). For both Dynamique and Dynamique S, carbon heated and leather-faced seats are available, while the latter version also has the option of 'Camel' tan leather seats (£950). Metallic paint is available in black, blue, grey or red at £405.

Completing the line-up are a range of smart exterior accessories, enabling the style-savvy buyer to customise their two-door to exactly their desired look, including chrome-effect door mirrors and double chrome roof cover cowl, rear diffuser and front fog light surrounds.



## Nissan stars at the commercial vehicle operator show

ANYONE who's anyone in the world of commercial vehicles will be heading to the CV Operator Show next month - and Nissan looks set to be the star attraction.

With a wide range of the company's class leading commercial vehicles on display, Nissan will be highlighting the breadth of abilities offered by its hardest working models. Whether you need the latest pick-up, a tipper or simply the most space efficient van in the business, the Nissan stand will have it all.

Having already been named What Van? Van of the Year 2010, International Van of the Year 2010 and ITM Van of the Year 2010, Nissan's NV200 will be a must-see attraction at the show. Not only is it the largest capacity carrier in its class, but priced from only £12,205 and with CO2 emissions of only 137g/km, this is one commercial vehicle that's sure to help the bottom line of any business. For buyers who need to carry passengers as well as kit, the NV200 Combi will also be taking centre stage.

While all Nissan Commercial Vehicles are rugged, for those who require true go-anywhere carrying capabilities, the latest revised Navara and Pathfinder Van are a must-see. Sharing the comfort, luxury and quality of its SUV relative, the Pathfinder Van comes with either obscured glass or a full panelled body and is available from only £21,682.

Flexing Nissan's commercial vehicle muscles even further are some special Cabstar models. The CTE Cabstar Platform is fitted with a large-scale 'cherry



▲ Nissan NV200

picker' for getting people up to difficult to reach places, while a Caged Tipper version of the tough Nissan LCV will also be strutting its stuff.

Adding the finishing touch to the Nissan CV Operator Show stand will be the Primastar. This long standing favourite of the discerning LCV driver is available in Short and Long wheelbase forms, while a Crew Van version will draw in the crowds at the NEC.

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full 10,000 miles between fill-ups.

As a result this exceptional Leon Ecomotive, which like the production version boasts a new 1.6-litre TDI-common rail powerplant as well as new start-stop technology, is able to offer many of its lucky owners the luxury of never having to visit the filling station again.

Since the SEAT comes with a 12-month/10,000-mile service interval as standard, the new prototype model need only ever be fuelled by a SEAT dealer. As such, the car is not fitted with a conventional fuel filler flap or cap, the diesel instead being refilled via a special nozzle in the boot.

Even higher mileage drivers covering, for example, 12,000 miles a year could collect their car in, say, June and then look forward to ten months of unstoppable motoring before their vehicle's first scheduled 10,000-mile service and an April fuel stop.

Of course to accommodate this extra-large fuel tank SEAT's engineers have had to significantly rework the Leon's interior layout. Out have come the rear seats to be replaced, instead, by the enlarged tank which fits neatly into the space va-

cated by the three seats.

A handy luggage space sits atop the extra-large fuel tank, meaning the Leon Ecomotive Prototype remains as practical as it is economical.

Other important revisions have been made to the SEAT's standard suspension set-up of course, allowing it to maintain its sporty handling while carrying the increased fuel load. The Leon's already efficient brakes have been uprated, too.

As ever, safety is paramount and SEAT's engineers have worked hard to ensure the concept doesn't compromise passenger or

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## PERRY STREET LEAGUE

WITH HOWARD LARCOMBE

## HOUNDS' THORNY PROBLEM

## Netherbury promotion on course

## CHALLENGE CUP FINAL

HEAVY rain left the Forton Rangers pitch waterlogged on Good Friday leading to the postponement of the 98th Challenge Cup Final.

Indeed it was so wet in the lane leading to the ground that manager Richard Allen was unable to been get to the pitch!

Finalists Ilminster Town Reserves and Lyme Regis will try again at a date to be decided.

## REG EGLON CUP FINAL

WAYTOWN Hounds first appearance in a Perry Street League cup final ended in defeat on Monday morning.

The Hounds, in their first season in the League, were beaten 4-1 by Thorncombe Reserves in the Reg Egglon Final held at Misterton's Unity Lane.

The Thorns started well and were soon 2-0 ahead before Matt Read reduced the deficit before the break with his 21st goal of the season.

But Thorncombe belied their lowly Division Four league position and stormed home to take the trophy for the first time in their history with two second-half goals.

## PREMIER

AS expected South Petherton closed the gap on Lyme Regis at the top of the Division to three points after beating Perry Street 2-1 at a boggy Lightgate Lane.

The hosts dominated from start to finish but unbelievably found themselves a goal down at the break after Seb Martin breakthrough to give the Mothers the lead.

It took just 60 seconds after the restart for Pethy to finally beat Andrew Sochon in the Street goal - pick-off-the-League defender Rob Stubbins notching his fourth of the season.

The Division's top scorer, Rich Hebdict took his tally to 26 with what proved to be the winner in the 65th minute with a neat header. Hebdict thought he'd bagged a second only for referee Tony Hart to rule out the goal and award Petherton a penalty for a foul in the lead up to the goal. Hebdict took the kick but saw his effort cannon back off the crossbar.

Pethy manager Karl Diment was pleased with the win if not the failure to convert a host of chances, he said: "We should really have had a hatful, we missed several one-on-ones - I don't think the heavy pitch particu-

larly helped us - I reckon it's the worst I've every seen it, it's a right mess."

Street player-manager Ian Hilton felt his side did ok, he said: "I had to bring in three Reserve team regulars and they did well. We also had our top-scorer Kris Groves playing at centre-back, so all things considered I'm quite pleased to have held a team as good as them to a 2-1 score line." Hilton once again picked out striker Ben Stevens as his star man after a hard running performance as lone striker.

Beamster remain second after an impressive 5-0 win at Misterton's Unity Lane. "That was our best performance for quite a while, but I think we still have more to offer" said Beamster player-manager Paddy Ford.

Andy Southern put the Rainbows ahead early on before Russell Legg notched the pick of the goals; rounding off a weaving run past four defenders with a precise finish from the narrowest of angles.

Sam Crocker headed home number three just before the hour mark before Southern struck twice more, the second from the penalty spot to complete his second hat-trick of the season and take his tally into double figures.

| Premier Division | P  | W  | D | L  | F  | A  | Pts |
|------------------|----|----|---|----|----|----|-----|
| Lyme Regis       | 12 | 11 | 0 | 1  | 33 | 11 | 33  |
| Beamster         | 14 | 10 | 1 | 3  | 55 | 17 | 31  |
| South Petherton  | 11 | 10 | 0 | 1  | 56 | 8  | 30  |
| Ilminster Res    | 15 | 8  | 3 | 4  | 49 | 24 | 27  |
| Barrington       | 15 | 7  | 3 | 5  | 29 | 36 | 24  |
| Merriott Rovers  | 13 | 7  | 0 | 6  | 29 | 34 | 21  |
| Perry Street     | 18 | 6  | 3 | 9  | 31 | 50 | 21  |
| Combe Reserves   | 17 | 6  | 2 | 9  | 30 | 34 | 20  |
| Misterton        | 17 | 5  | 4 | 8  | 26 | 37 | 19  |
| Crewkerne        | 17 | 5  | 3 | 9  | 37 | 45 | 18  |
| White Horse      | 14 | 2  | 3 | 9  | 22 | 38 | 9   |
| Charmouth        | 17 | 0  | 4 | 13 | 22 | 85 | 4   |

## DIVISION ONE

NETHERBURY came out on top in the West-Dorset derby beating visiting Pymore 2-0. A tight first-half ended goalless with Ambers' keeper Lee Cuff tipping one Pymore effort on the crossbar and ex-Netherbury winger Paul Ruffle twice going close for the visitors.

The deadlock was finally broken when Lee Dowle diverted a James Sayers cross into his own goal with two Netherbury strikers queuing up behind him.

Sayers had an effort disallowed by

Chris Vowles and then missed a penalty after skipper Pete Ellingham had been felled.

But Mark Cuff made the game and the points safe four minutes from time with his third in four games. Netherbury manager Andy Louden was delighted with the win, he said "It's nice to beat them (Pymore) for the first time since I took over as manager two years ago."

Netherbury move up to second in the table as a result of the win - in fact they could go top if, as is expected, West & Middle Chinnock are docked three points for fielding an ineligible player, Ryan Murray, in the 2-1 win over Netherbury on February 27th. The Chinnocks have however appealed to the FA and both League and club await the outcome before the three points are deducted.

Winsham United maintained their hopes of an immediate return to the top division with a 2-1 win over fellow promotion chasers Forton Rangers at Bakers Field.

The hosts stormed down the slope to lead 2-0 at the break through a deflected effort that gave Tom Stead his ninth of the season and Stuart Richards. Rob Glentworth pulled one back for the Rangers in the second-half but Winsh held on to extended their unbeaten home run to even games.

Ilminster Town Colts returned to form after a mini-slump with a 3-1 win over Chard Rangers at the Recreation Ground. They didn't have all their own way as Wayne Long gave the Rangers the lead at the interval with an effort that nestled in the top corner.

But The Colts were level just 15 seconds into the second period through Paul Hardy. Hardy added a second ten minutes later before Rob Sutton rounded off the scoring with a 25-yard free-kick.

| Division One     | P  | W | D | L  | F  | A  | Pts |
|------------------|----|---|---|----|----|----|-----|
| W & M Chinnock   | 11 | 8 | 2 | 1  | 44 | 23 | 26  |
| Netherbury       | 13 | 7 | 3 | 3  | 34 | 21 | 24  |
| Winsham United   | 12 | 7 | 2 | 3  | 30 | 21 | 23  |
| Farway United    | 12 | 6 | 4 | 2  | 30 | 15 | 22  |
| Ilminster Colts  | 10 | 6 | 3 | 1  | 23 | 16 | 21  |
| Forton Rangers   | 12 | 6 | 2 | 4  | 21 | 17 | 20  |
| Chard Rangers    | 14 | 3 | 1 | 10 | 22 | 55 | 10  |
| Thorncombe       | 12 | 2 | 2 | 8  | 22 | 27 | 8   |
| Perry Street Res | 11 | 2 | 2 | 7  | 25 | 34 | 8   |
| Pymore           | 9  | 2 | 2 | 5  | 12 | 22 | 8   |
| Lyme Regis Res   | 10 | 2 | 1 | 7  | 23 | 35 | 7   |

## DIVISION TWO

| Division Two     | P  | W  | D | L  | F  | A  | Pts |
|------------------|----|----|---|----|----|----|-----|
| Oh So Georgious  | 17 | 12 | 1 | 4  | 25 | 18 | 38  |
| Bids & Babes     | 16 | 11 | 1 | 4  | 23 | 12 | 35  |
| Smashers         | 16 | 10 | 2 | 4  | 22 | 22 | 32  |
| Wootton Wobblers | 17 | 11 | 0 | 6  | 22 | 14 | 33  |
| Rock A Byes      | 17 | 10 | 0 | 7  | 20 | 21 | 30  |
| La Creme         | 16 | 8  | 1 | 7  | 17 | 12 | 29  |
| Just Us          | 16 | 7  | 2 | 7  | 16 | 29 | 23  |
| Hot Gossips      | 17 | 8  | 0 | 9  | 16 | 15 | 24  |
| Rollercoasters   | 17 | 7  | 0 | 10 | 14 | 18 | 21  |
| Generations      | 16 | 6  | 1 | 9  | 13 | 16 | 19  |
| Deano's Divas    | 16 | 4  | 0 | 12 | 8  | 11 | 12  |

NORTON Athletic reaffirmed their position as promotion contenders in the day's only Division Two game.

Visiting Hinton had the better of the first 45 but went in the break all-square at 1-1 with Paul Churchill netting for the Norts and Lloyd Doble replying.

The hosts too control after the restart and goals from Scott Reeves and Callum Gundry (penalty) secured a fine win.

| Division Two        | P  | W  | D | L  | F  | A  | Pts |
|---------------------|----|----|---|----|----|----|-----|
| Millwey Rise        | 13 | 12 | 1 | 0  | 46 | 15 | 37  |
| Norton Athletic     | 14 | 10 | 1 | 3  | 55 | 26 | 31  |
| Dowlis & Donyatt    | 15 | 8  | 1 | 6  | 55 | 40 | 25  |
| Hinton St George    | 16 | 6  | 3 | 7  | 41 | 38 | 21  |
| Beamster Res        | 12 | 6  | 2 | 4  | 31 | 27 | 20  |
| Shepton Beau        | 11 | 5  | 2 | 4  | 33 | 17 | 17  |
| Uplyme              | 14 | 5  | 2 | 7  | 31 | 17 | 17  |
| South Petherton Res | 13 | 3  | 6 | 4  | 32 | 29 | 15  |
| Forton Rangers Res  | 12 | 4  | 3 | 5  | 20 | 23 | 15  |
| Drimpton            | 15 | 2  | 1 | 12 | 27 | 76 | 7   |
| Chard United        | 13 | 2  | 0 | 11 | 18 | 61 | 6   |

## DIVISION THREE

A header from Reserve team regular Wayne Behan helped Combe A to a 1-1 draw with fellow strugglers Shepton Beauchamp Reserves at Slades cross.

But a 20-yard second-half leveler from Tom Brister, his seventh of the campaign, leaves the Saints with just a solitary win in 2010.

| Division Three      | P  | W  | D | L  | F  | A  | Pts |
|---------------------|----|----|---|----|----|----|-----|
| Hawkchurch          | 16 | 11 | 3 | 2  | 54 | 31 | 36  |
| Fivehead United     | 14 | 7  | 3 | 4  | 26 | 24 | 24  |
| Crewkerne Rangers   | 11 | 7  | 1 | 3  | 44 | 21 | 22  |
| Misterton Reserves* | 15 | 7  | 2 | 6  | 39 | 41 | 22  |
| Lyme Bantams*       | 13 | 7  | 1 | 5  | 40 | 29 | 19  |
| Luso-Chard          | 12 | 6  | 1 | 5  | 44 | 34 | 19  |
| Millwey Rise Res    | 14 | 6  | 0 | 8  | 28 | 33 | 18  |
| Crewkerne Reserves  | 9  | 5  | 1 | 3  | 24 | 17 | 16  |
| Combe A             | 14 | 4  | 3 | 7  | 23 | 27 | 15  |
| Shepton Reserves    | 16 | 4  | 2 | 10 | 31 | 45 | 14  |
| Chard Rangers Res   | 16 | 2  | 1 | 13 | 20 | 71 | 7   |

## DIVISION FOUR

IMPROVING Charmouth Reserves took Barrington Reserves the distance before going down to a 3-2 defeat in a cracking match at Shelway Lane.

A Dan Boot effort that came back off the post, only to strike the home keeper on the head gave Charmouth the early advantage before Jamie Park equalised, although Charmouth player-manager Toby Gordon felt he may have had the last touch.

Ex-Chard United manager John Smith then restored the visitors' lead

two minutes into the second-half. And, as the teams headed into the last 10 minutes, it looked as the Robins maybe on course to record a rare League double. But he hosts had other ideas and a goalmouth scramble ended with Park pouncing for his second of the afternoon. The yellow-hammers' fight back was completed in the 90th minute when Antony Morris was adjudged to have fouled by referee Andy Dyke. Charmouth felt the decision was harsh but didn't have too many complaints believing they may have got away with a similar incident earlier. Steve Park tucked away the spot-kick to move his team up four places to third in the table.

| Division Four       | P  | W | D  | L  | F  | A  | Pts |
|---------------------|----|---|----|----|----|----|-----|
| Winsham Utd Res     | 17 | 9 | 5  | 3  | 63 | 48 | 32  |
| Ilminster Town A    | 13 | 8 | 2  | 3  | 41 | 30 | 26  |
| Barrington Reserves | 15 | 8 | 2  | 5  | 47 | 37 | 26  |
| Waytown Hounds      | 15 | 8 | 1  | 6  | 52 | 33 | 25  |
| Hinton Reserves     | 17 | 7 | 4  | 6  | 35 | 44 | 25  |
| Farway United Res   | 13 | 7 | 3  | 3  | 45 | 24 | 24  |
| Chard United Res    | 12 | 7 | 2  | 3  | 38 | 25 | 23  |
| Combe B             | 19 | 7 | 2  | 10 | 59 | 52 | 23  |
| Thorncombe Res*     | 16 | 4 | 4  | 8  | 34 | 44 | 13  |
| Hawkchurch Res      | 17 | 3 | 11 | 30 | 52 | 12 | 12  |
| Charmouth Res*      | 18 | 3 | 2  | 13 | 21 | 76 | 10  |

## LEAGUE NEWS

Last night's (Tuesday) Division One cup Final between Ilminster Town Colts and Netherbury was postponed by hosts Chard Town FC.

## RESULTS

## Saturday, April 3rd

## Premier Division

Misterton 0 Beamster 5  
South Petherton 2 Perry Street 1

## Division One

Ilminster Colts 3 Chard Rangers 1  
Netherbury 2 Pymore 0  
Winsham United 2 Forton Rangers 1

## Division Two

Norton Athletic 3 Hinton St George 1

## Division Three

Combe A 1 Shepton Reserves 1

## Division Four

Barrington Res 3 Charmouth Res 2

Monday, April 5th  
Reg Egglon Cup Final  
(at Misterton FC)

Thorncombe Res 4 Waytown Hnds 1



ON TARGET: Mark Cuff netted Netherbury's second in local derby win over Pymore.



TRIPLE: Andy Southern scored a hat-trick in Beamster's 5-0 mauling of Misterton.



NARROW DEFEAT: Toby Gordon's Charmouth Reserves upturn continues despite 3-2 loss.

All other matches postponed

## FIXTURES

## Wednesday, April 7th

Division One 6.15pm  
Farway United v Lyme Regis Reserves  
Forton Rangers v Chard Rangers  
Perry Street Reserves v Thorncombe

## Saturday, April 10th

Premier Division  
Beamster v Ilminster Town Reserves  
Charmouth v Merriott Rovers  
Misterton v Crewkerne  
Perry Street v Barrington  
South Petherton v Lyme Regis  
White Horse v Combe St Nicholas Reserves

## Division One

Farway United v Pymore  
Lyme Regis Res v Forton Rangers  
Netherbury v Ilminster Town Colts  
Thorncombe v Chard Rangers  
W & M Chinnock v Winsham United

## Division Two

Forton Res v Dowlis & Donyatt  
Hinton St George v Drimpton  
Millwey Rise v South Peth Res (2pm)  
Shepton Beauchamp v Norton Ath  
Uplyme v Beamster Reserves

## Division Three

Chard Rangers Reserves v Luso-Chard  
Combe A v Crewkerne Rangers  
Crewkerne Reserves v Lyme Bantams  
Fivehead Utd v Shepton Reserves  
Millwey Res v Hawkchurch (4.15pm)

## Division Four

Barrington Reserves v Combe B  
Chard United Res v Thorncombe Res  
Ilminster A v Farway United Reserves  
Winsham Utd Res v Waytown Hounds

## Tuesday, April 13th

Premier Division  
Beamster v White Horse  
Charmouth v Lyme Regis  
Merriott Rovers v Barrington  
South Petherton v Ilminster Reserves

## Division Two

Chard United v Forton Rangers

## Wednesday, April 14th

Division One  
Forton Rangers v Winsham United  
Perry Street Res v Ilminster Town Colts  
Pymore v Netherbury

## Division Two

South Petherton Res v Norton Ath

## Lyme Regis Golf Club

Lyme Regis Ladies 1st April  
with Ellie Langford

On Thursday the ladies played their monthly medal, and although it was sunny, the course was very wet underfoot.

Sophie Keech was in winning form, she birdied the 7th then on the 18th her drive found the fairway bunker but she managed to put her next shot close to the pin, she then holed the putt for her second birdie.

Results: Division One - 1st Sophie Keech (74), 2nd Jenny Scott (79), 3rd Diana Dick (79 ocb). Division Two - 1st Jean Heywood (79), 2nd Gloria Lott (80), 3rd Jane Broom (82). Division Three: Joy Madge (80), 2nd Shelia Claringbold (85), 3rd Jocelyn Marsh (87).

WINTER ECLECTIC: Silver - 1st Jane Southcombe (68), 2nd Jane Dixon (73), 3rd Felicity Poole (75). Low Bronze - Rosemary Dare (79), 2nd Gloria Lott (83), Glenys Phillips (84). High Bronze - 1st Shelia Claringbold (100), 2nd Felicity Horton (105), 3rd Daphne Baker (108).

## LYME REGIS SKITTLES LEAGUE

## LADIES DIVISION

Smashers 287 Just Us 287 (S.Churchill 56), Rollercoasters 290 Hot Gossips 306 (N. Edmeades 65), Generations 333 Bids & Babes 328 (C. Barber 65), Oh So Georgious 330 Abandon Ship 326 (C. Rice 64), Castaways 284 Wootton Wobblers 322 (R. Parsons 61).

|                  | P  | W  | D | L  | Pts | Beer |
|------------------|----|----|---|----|-----|------|
| Oh So Georgious  | 17 | 12 | 1 | 4  | 25  | 18   |
| Bids & Babes     | 16 | 11 | 1 | 4  | 23  | 12   |
| Smashers         | 16 | 10 | 2 | 4  | 22  | 22   |
| Wootton Wobblers | 17 | 11 | 0 | 6  | 22  | 14   |
| Rock A Byes      | 17 | 10 | 0 | 7  | 20  | 21   |
| La Creme         | 16 | 8  | 1 | 7  | 17  | 12   |
| Just Us          | 16 | 7  | 2 | 7  | 16  | 29   |
| Hot Gossips      | 17 | 8  | 0 | 9  | 16  | 15   |
| Rollercoasters   | 17 | 7  | 0 | 10 | 14  | 18   |
| Generations      | 16 | 6  | 1 | 9  | 13  | 16   |
| Deano's Divas    | 16 | 4  | 0 | 12 | 8   | 11   |

Castaways 16 4 0 12 8 8

## MENS DIVISIONS

## Bob Sweetland Cup

(Divisions One and Two)

Anthill Mob 310 Rousdon Rebels 321 (J.Billon 61), Wreckers 373 Sherbertes 367 (T. Mayers 75), British Legion 331 Hot Rocks 358 (A. Cleal 64), Toug Guns 398 Roadrunners 402 (N. Ellis 77), Alletwits 327 No Hoppers 339 (P. Hodder 69), Skippy's Six 356 Trappers 325 (P. Kirkman 73), Marksman 390 Clueless 335 (N. Bearpark, A. Studley, A. Stevens 68), Shakers 334 Flyers 375 (A. Churchill 71).

| Division One | P  | W  | D | L | Pts | Beer |
|--------------|----|----|---|---|-----|------|
| Cowboys      | 17 | 11 | 0 | 6 | 22  | 22   |
| No Hoppers   | 16 | 11 | 0 | 5 | 22  | 17   |
| Roadrunners  | 17 | 9  | 0 | 8 | 18  | 22   |

|                |    |   |   |    |    |    |
|----------------|----|---|---|----|----|----|
| Skippy's Six   | 17 | 9 | 0 | 8  | 18 | 15 |
| Rousdon Rebels | 17 | 9 | 0 | 8  | 18 | 13 |
| Anthill Mob    | 17 | 9 | 0 | 8  | 18 | 12 |
| Flyers         | 17 | 8 | 0 | 9  | 16 | 20 |
| Marksman       | 17 | 7 | 0 | 10 | 14 | 15 |
| Alletwits      | 17 | 6 | 0 | 11 | 12 | 19 |
| Clueless       | 16 | 5 | 0 | 11 | 10 | 13 |

| Division Two      | P  | W  | D | L  | Pts | Beer |
|-------------------|----|----|---|----|-----|------|
| Wreckers          | 16 | 13 | 0 | 3  | 26  | 20   |
| Wootton Wobblers  | 16 | 11 | 0 | 5  | 22  | 17   |
| Hot Rocks         | 15 | 10 | 0 | 5  | 20  | 19   |
| Miscellaneous     | 15 | 9  | 1 | 5  | 19  | 20   |
| Presidents Men    | 15 | 9  | 0 | 6  | 18  | 16   |
| Sherberts         | 15 | 8  | 1 | 6  | 15  | 16   |
| Trappers          | 16 | 7  | 1 | 8  | 15  | 16   |
| Young Guns        | 14 | 7  | 0 | 7  | 14  | 17   |
| British Legion    | 16 | 4  | 1 | 11 | 9   | 8    |
| Shakers           | 16 | 2  | 0 | 12 | 4   | 13   |
| Willy's Wanderers | 16 | 2  | 0 | 14 | 4   | 4    |



# New faces as Dorset CCC prepare title challenge

DORSET CCC Team Manager Sean Walbridge is upbeat about his side's chances of winning silverware this season following the addition of a few new names to this year's squad.

The new season gets underway on Monday with a friendly against Wiltshire at Dean Park, Bournemouth following sessions at Bryanston School.

The county just failed to reach the quarter-finals of the Minor Counties one-day competition and won three of their six championship matches but Walbridge believes his charges can go further this campaign.

Among the new faces are all rounders David Taylor and Darren Augustus from Alton c, and Chris Morgan, formerly of Hampshire. Batsman Josh Lawrence will also be joining the squad once he takes up his teacher training appointment at Sherborne School whilst seamers Rich Banham and Henry Turner, who were both unavailable last season, and explosive batsman Darren Cowley, who was injured, return to the squad.

Walbridge said: "They will provide real competition for places. I'm also talking to a couple of other players, but I'm waiting for them to return from overseas playing commitments this winter."

He added: "Once again we made progress last summer. We only missed out on making the quarter-finals of the One Day competition by net run rate in our group, and in the Championship we won three of our six matches, and if it hadn't been for defeat to Shropshire in our penultimate match we could have challenged for the Western Division Championship."

Captain Tom Hicks said: "Going into the 2010 season there is a collective belief amongst all involved in the Dorset set up that this not only could be a very successful year on the pitch, but that as a team and squad we really should be winning a trophy."

"Despite some outstanding individual and team performances over the last two seasons, we have been one win away in both one day and three day competitions from genuine success."

"This year with Darren Cowley and Rich Banham back and new signing David Taylor confirmed for the one day matches, we feel in a strong position to take on anyone. "All the players now have experience of what it takes to win championship matches and it seems every base is covered in the squad, given availability and fitness."

"If we can come together as a unit on the pitch, there is no reason we can't bring home silverware. Everyone is also looking forward to seeing a decent crowd at the two exciting T20 fixtures. It should be another fun season."

This season Dorset will play their two one day home group matches at Dorchester and Weymouth. Walbridge said: "We are returning to these venues for our sponsors The Hearn Group and our supporters in the west of the county; traditionally we have been well supported at both venues and we hope that continues upon our return."

Coach Alan Willows added: "This is a very exciting time for Dorset CCC and we look forward to winning the championship and one day knockout competitions. We also have important T20 matches against Hampshire and Somerset."

As coach you are looking for improvements from your playing squad down to the development of the young players in Dorset. Sean, Julian Shackleton (Development Squad Coach) and I have been enthused by the new initiatives from the DCB and Dorset CCC. In the past only a few players have come through the Dorset U17s to play for Dorset CCC. This will all change over the next few years because the relationship between the DCB and Dorset CCC is thriving.

"We are starting to see the young talent in Dorset come through our system to play first class cricket. David Payne (Gloucestershire and England U19's) Mitch Wilson (Gloucestershire) and Max Waller (England Emerging Performance Player) will want to improve on their performances from last season. Chris Jones (Somerset) after a winter in Australia has been selected for Somerset's pre-season match against Glamorgan."

"We have also arranged a match against the Dorset League on April 18th and this is another indication of Dorset cricket moving forward. I have seen Dorset CCC make considerable progress over the past two years."

"Over a season you will need a strong squad because of injury and unavailability. Our side led by Tom Hicks are certainly in a position to believe we can bring silverware back to Dorset. Last season we improved in all competitions and became a difficult side to beat."

"We had batters scoring hundreds and bowlers taking five and six wickets in an innings. Nick Park achieved the highest individual score. He also shared a record last wicket stand with David Kidner to help us win our last match against Wiltshire."

"Our winter training sessions have gone extremely well. If we do win something this season everyone connected to Dorset cricket should be congratulated. Dorset's fixture list for this season (11am start unless stated):

April 5th - Wiltshire - (Friendly) Dean Park; April 11th - Hampshire 2nds (Friendly) - Rose Bowl; April 18th - Dorset League XI - Dean Park; April 25th - Herefordshire (1 Day Comp) - Letchworth; May 2nd - Bedfordshire (1 Day Comp) - Dorchester; May 9th - Herefordshire (1 Day Comp) - Eastnor; May 23rd - Oxfordshire (1 Day Comp) - Weymouth; May 30th - Somerset Sabres (T20 Friendly) - Sherborne School 2.30pm start time Tuesday 1st June - Hampshire Royals (T20 Friendly) - Dean Park 5pm start time June 6th/8th - Berkshire (Champ) - Falkland, Newbury; June 13th - Q/Final (1 Day Comp) - Home if we win group; June 20th/22nd - Shropshire (Champ) - Bridgnorth; July 4th/6th - Cheshire (Champ) - Dean Park; July 9th - Wimbome (T20 friendly) to open their new ground - start time to be confirmed; July 11th - S/Final (1 One Day Comp) - July 12th is reserve day; July 18th/20th - Herefordshire (Champ) - Dean Park; August 1st/3rd - Cornwall (Champ) - St Austell; August 4th/6th - Cheshire (Champ) - Dean Park; August 11th - One Day Final - Chester le Street, Durham - August 12th reserve day; August 15th/17th - Wales Minor Counties (Champ) - Dean Park; September 5th/8th - Championship Final - Dean Park if we win Western Division (Please note that the Championship Final is to be played over four days).

# BOB BUCKLER RACING DIGGER CAN'T EMULATE NICHE

BOB Buckler was just getting excited when Double Dizzy fell seven fences from home in Monday's Irish Grand National at Fairyhouse and ruined the chances of a dream double after Niche Market's success last year.

Digger as he is affectionately known at home was travelling well and in control when he put in an short stride and paid for it by clipping the top of the fence.

"He was travelling well and I was starting to get excited. Nathan (Sweeney) was giving him a super ride putting him in the right place at the right time and I really thought he had a great chance as he was travelling so well within himself."

"That's the first time he has been on the ground in 45 races and it was so unlucky, but unfortunately that's racing. Fortunately both are unscathed from the fall which is the main thing."

In very heavy conditions Double Dizzy, a 33/1 chance, was up in the front three from the start in what was a slowly run race because of the conditions, and he looked to have every chance of emulating his stable mate Niche Market, who sprung a surprise last year, but the one mistake put paid to those chances.

Niche Market meanwhile will definitely run in this Saturday's Grand National at Aintree to try and add the

English version to last year's Irish success. Meanwhile Buckler's top mare Mizzurka takes on the best in the John Smith's Mares' Standard Open NH Flat Race on Friday at the Liverpool course.

It is appropriate that it is Ladies Day and Buckler hopes the six-year-old can add this listed race to the recent Sandown success when she won the Dbs/e.b.f. Mares' Standard Open Nh Flat Race Final, also a listed race.

Leading jockey AP McCoy who rode her at Sandown and is expected to be aboard again on Friday, believes she can win providing the ground is soft enough.

# GREAVESIE STILL CLASS

FOOTBALL legend Jimmy Greaves wowed an audience of almost 200 last week in the latest of Dorchester Town Football Club's Sportsman's Dinners.

Greaves, considered by many to be the world's greatest ever goal scorer had his audience in stitches with an after dinner speech which contained many anecdotal references.

The former Chelsea and England ace that has the distinction of having scored on his debut for every team he played, including England at full and U23 level, reminisced about his early playing days and the great teams and footballers that he played against in the late 1950's and throughout the 1960's.

Greaves visited Dorchester's old Avenue ground (on the site of Tesco's) in the 1970's with Chelmsford City when they were in the Southern League and is still a great follower of non-League football.

"My son (Danny) is manager of Witham Town so I usually go there on a Saturday and watch them."

"I think non-League football is a good standard and you see some great games of football - I quite enjoy it."

"My granddaughter is getting married to Ollie Berquez, whose is the captain of Chelmsford, and he's a very good player, so the standard is high."

Commenting on the wages paid to Premiership players nowadays, Greaves quipped: "Well, I'd like to be playing now. Seriously I don't have any thoughts on the players that are earning it, good luck to them, that's the situation with the game at the moment."

"In my days we did break through the minimum wage of £20 a week, but it only went up to £100 a week. It's only since the Premiership started that wages have escalated so much; good luck to them, I wish I was part of it!"

Greaves who was left out of Sir Alf Ramsey's 1966 World Cup Final winning team having been injured earlier in the tournament, was not over enthused about this year's tournament in South Africa when asked if he was looking forward to it.

"Not particularly. I'm a big fan of a lot of sports, especially rugby and cricket. When the World Cup starts; fair enough. I've got a few jobs to do, but looking forward to it? "It's coming and that's it. It's like the 2012

Olympics, it'll be here but nobody will be able to get there."

Third in the England goal scoring list with 44 goals in 57 games, although his goals per game ratio is vastly superior, he scored 357 Football League goals in just 516 games, an all-time record for the top flight.

Despite his incredible skills and scoring ability, Greaves rarely thought about them as he went on to become one of the greatest goal scorers of all time.

On his ability he said: "I never gave it a thought, no."

"I used to think of the responsibility I had to my team mates, to the club and the fans,

It was my job on the field to score goals. It wasn't my job to go on 10 mile runs during training, it was my responsibility to score goals and that was it. I became quite responsible as I recognised the pressures associated with it. I developed such a reputation as a goalscorer that playing a really good game was not good enough, I had to score."

The evening included a three-course dinner and a very entertaining act by comedian Aaron James.

Greavesie as he is affectionately known was welcomed by Dorchester Town Chairman Shaun Hearn who said: "It's been a great night. This is the third such event we've put on since I've been back at the club and it's great to see people come out and support it and I've not heard a negative comment all night."

"Every penny raised will go back into the club and it's going to assist the level of football we are playing at. We've got a great facility here in the Prince's Marquee and we need to use it."

"It's not all about making money, it's also about involving people, and so on St George's night we've got Nobby Stiles here. With the price at £15 a ticket I'm sure we will get a good crowd here."

Reflecting on his return to the club and the interest generated by a local businessman taking the reins Hearn said: "I can't say enough good words about the support I have had personally. I hope people's expectations aren't too high. I'm not promising anything but we will give it our best shot, and if everything keeps going as it is then we will be fine."

# Angels give young girls opportunity

A CHANCE meeting of two old friends has seen the formation of a new football club strictly for girls.

Southside Angels Girls Football Club was formed on New Year's Day by Marc Day and Mark Allen to encourage girls in the Weymouth, Portland and Dorchester areas to give football a try in a fun and friendly environment.

After meeting last year, the two got talking about girl's football and the lack of opportunities for them to get into football in the area.

They were concerned that there were a lot of girls around who wanted to play football but were put off by having to join in with the boys, and therefore just lose interest.

So last July they sat down and following a lot of research approached Sport England. They received a positive response and a grant to enable them to set up the club and to support them through its first year including buying training equipment and hire of indoor training facilities.

The club advertised the sessions specifically targeting girls in school years 3, 4, 5 and 6, around all the schools in the area and on the first night eight girls turned up. This soon doubled and now the club will be able to enter team's in the under 11's and under 12's next season. They have now been asked to run a team in an older age group (Under 16's), and are currently recruiting another coach or two to help with training and team management.

However, not content just to start a girl's only club the Angels are also encouraging female volunteers and youngsters to get involved in coaching the girls. So far they have four volunteers who come to training regularly and who will be working towards their level one coaching certificates during the next few months or when they are old enough. By getting younger ladies involved the Angels hope to make the club a fun, friendly place with a safe environment for the girls to play their football, and a club that the local community can all be proud of.

The club has also contacted local schools to offer football "taster" sessions free of charge, so girls can try football in familiar surroundings before attending the clubs own training sessions should they want to.

It has been a steep learning curve for the club but with support and advice from Clare Nichols, the Dorset FA Women's Development Officer they have everything in place to make the club a great success. They are already well on the way to attaining Chartered Standard status and should be accredited by the start of next season.

The club has its own website to help promote the club which is a big hit with the girls; check it out and see for yourselves: [www.southsideangels.co.uk](http://www.southsideangels.co.uk)

If you are interested in joining the Angels either as a player or a coach or would just like more information then give them a call: Mark 01305 772089 or Marc 01305 823826.



◆ ANGELS DELIGHT: Angels club members with Rachel Simkin

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◆ SHORT-MAT BOWLS:  
East Devon League (afternoon League Division Two)

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| Woodbury.....          | 13 | 7 | 1 | 5 | -74  | 15  |
| Musbury.....           | 13 | 4 | 5 | 4 | -77  | 13  |
| Combe St Nicholas..... | 13 | 5 | 2 | 6 | -109 | 12  |
| Sidford.....           | 13 | 4 | 3 | 6 | -107 | 11  |
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◆ CHARITY QUIZ NIGHT: Dorchester Town Supporters Trust are holding their first quiz night in the Prince's Marquee at the Avenue Stadium, Dorchester on Friday April 9th.

The evening commences at 7.30pm for an 8pm start. The funds raised from the event will be shared between the Supporters Trust and Weldmare Hospicecare Trust in memory of Julian Slade. The event is kindly sponsored by Dorchester Timber Limited.

Tickets cost £5 per person which includes food and a first prize of £50. There will also be a raffle, and waitress service with drinks served at your table.

Tickets are selling quickly so to avoid disappointment telephone 01305 850099 (include code when dialling) or visit [www.gmagpiestrust.co.uk](http://www.gmagpiestrust.co.uk) for more details.

◆ DORSET & WILTS LOOK TOWARDS TWICKENHAM  
DORSET & Wilts U20's are now one game away from Twickenham following their stunning 66-21 win over Middlesex last Sunday.

They take on Yorkshire in the semi-final of the RFU National Under-20 Championship at Bournemouth RFC on Sunday April 18th kick-off 2.15pm. Defending champions Gloucestershire will entertain Lancashire for the right to meet the winners in the final to be held at Twickenham next month.

# BRIDPORT SKITTLES

Cup fixture Cup fixtures for week beginning Monday April 12th:  
**Mens Individual Nomination - Final**  
**Monday April 12th - King Charles**  
H Mills; L Dare; A Cauldwell; M Horton; G Brooks; M Powell; C Barnes; D Cooper  
**Ladies Individuals - 1st Round**  
**Tuesday April 13th - Bridport Football Club**  
T Sadler; G Legg; V Cozens; J Malcolm; J Brooks; V Burt; H Doble; J Doble; M Paulley; C Huxter; E Hooper; M Hansford; S Luter; K Johnson; C Lambert; A wiscombe; S Newman; J Symes  
**Ladies Pairs - 2nd Round**  
**Friday April 16th - Clock**  
G Legg & S Newman; H Doble & M Paulley; S Tompkins & J Dawe; L Cowburn & L Dunk; S Luter & J Brooks; C Huxter & R Chubb; J Symes & K Tuck; M Hansford & S Galpin  
**Last season's winners - Would you please return the league trophies to the Lord Nelson as soon as possible**  
**Tickets for the Presentation Night (May 21st) are now on sale from the Lord Nelson @ £4 each**



◆ STALWARTS: Dorchester Town Football Club's Stacey Legg (left) and Dorchester Cricket Club's Dave Joslin at the Jimmy Greaves evening



◆ FOOTBALL'S A FUNNY GAME: Jimmy tells his tale  
Photos by STUART BROOM



# MAGPIES PUT DRAGONS TO THE SWORD

■ Late Clarke strike keeps Bridport's top ten hopes burning brightly



## Cool finish!

◆ **MAGIC:** Ryan Moss slips the ball past Ross Kitteridge for Dorchester's third in the 6-1 blitzing of Basingstoke on Monday.  
*Photo STUART BROOM*

## BATH CITY 2 DORCHESTER TOWN 0

**Blue Square South - Attendance: 738**

DORCHESTER Town gave their poorest display since losing to Weymouth on New Year's Day at Twerton Park on Friday when losing 2-0 to Bath City.

The Magpies rarely threatened the Romans defence and home keeper Ryan Robinson didn't have a shot to save, in what must be the most inept attacking display of the season.

They were lucky not to have gone behind on five minutes when Kaid Mohamed went down under a challenge from Ryan Coward. However referee Paul Rees played advantage as the ball had fallen to Mark Badman, but his shot was headed off the line by Nathan Walker.

Former Team Bath striker Josh Llewellyn, back after injury, provided Dorchester's first threat on 15 minutes with an angled drive which was always going over the near post.

Although Coward prevented Lewis Hogg giving Bath the lead with a fingertip save from his header, he couldn't stop him on 27 minutes when Hogg was on hand to lift the ball over him from six yards after being put through by Mohamed.

Manager Ashley Vickers brought on Jamie Gleeson and Gary Bowles at the break in place of James Coutts and Ryan Hill but it made little difference, although Bowles prevented the Magpies going three down with two superb tackles in a minute just after Mohamed had sealed the game for Bath.

Ryan Robinson's goal-kick was flicked on by Darren Edwards and Mohamed coolly guided his shot past the onrushing Coward.

Skipper Kevin Hill had to be replaced 15 minutes from the end with a broken nose, before Hogg had another chance but fired straight at Coward.

Vickers described his sides display as "poor" adding the "it wasn't a true measure of how they have performed of late."

Vickers who believes his charges will put the performance behind them against Basingstoke on Monday added: "The boys have done well of late and this defeat will bring them back down to Earth."



◆ **HILL'S HOWITZER:** Ryan Hill (right) thumps home a crisp 25-yard free-kick for Dorchester's sixth to complete Saturday's goal rout.  
*Photo STUART BROOM*

## DORCHESTER TOWN 6 BASINGSTOKE 1

**Blue Square South - Attendance: 502**

DORCHESTER Town bounced back from Good Friday's poor display at Bath City with a sparkling performance against a Basingstoke Town side that arrived at The Avenue on the back of two good results including a 1-0 victory over the Magpies victors.

Manager Ashley Vickers was forced to make three changes bringing in Neil Martin, Gary Bowles and Jamie Gleeson in place of Kevin Hill (broken nose), James Coutts (ill) and Nick Crittenden who was only fit enough to sit on the bench, and they all scored in the first-half after the Dragons had taken a third minute lead.

Ryan Hill had already forced Basingstoke's keeper Ross Kitteridge to parry his free-kick away in the first minute before Josh Webb produced a beautifully flighted cross from the right that saw Benedict Akwuegbu rise in front of Nathan Walker to head past Regan Coward to give 'Stoke the lead.

Dorchester equalised on 14 minutes however when one of Ryan Hill's long throws was allowed to pass across the six-yard box where Martin, celebrated his 21st birthday by sidefooting home.

Although the Dragons attack rarely bothered the home defence, Dorchester needed Coward to come to their rescue on 23 minutes when David Pratt pounced on a shot that had been blocked, to fire in a wicked shot from 10-yards that Coward brilliantly turned over the bar.

Two minutes later Dorchester had taken the lead. Hill's free kick was not cleared by the visiting defence and Bowles attempted overhead kick was deflected for a corner by Kitteridge.

However the Magpies pair made no mistake the second time when Bowles rose to powerfully head home Hill's flag kick from the resultant corner.

Dorchester were in full flow now and when Matt Finlay dithered four minutes later as he looked to control Mark Jermyn's long ball, Ryan Moss dispossessed him and ran on to beat the advancing Kitteridge.

Walker might have scored when he scuffed his

shot around the post following a free-kick, but four minutes from the break he helped set up Dorchester's fourth when he headed a free-kick back across the box where Gleeson side-stepped two defenders before firing across Kitteridge from close in.

Whilst the second-half was not quite so frenetic, the 'Stoke defence stilled seemed nervous and Finlay almost gave them another goal with a weak header back to his keeper but Moss's shot found Kitteridge's midriff.

With Dorchester firmly in charge, chances for the visitors were rare, but Tom Williamson had Coward reaching on the hour for his 25-yard volley that cleared the bar.

Walker then put the result beyond doubt when he dived low at the far post to head home Hill's corner for his first goal for the club.

Moss was ruled offside when he deflected home Josh Llewellyn's attempted shot following some deft footwork, before Hill finally added his name to the score sheet with a thumping 25-yard free-kick into the bottom right-hand corner after Gleeson was tripped on another of his mazy runs.

This was the Magpies biggest Blue Square South victory which almost certainly means they are safe from relegation, and was just the response Vickers was expecting from his charges following Friday's dismal display at Bath City.



◆ **TOP TABLE:** Speaker and goalscoring legend Jimmy Greaves with Neil Morris (centre) and Dorchester Police Inspector Les Fry enjoying their meal at the Avenue Stadium.  
For more photos and report see page 61

days earlier. They also included 16-year-old Andy Suttle in goal and he once again gave a faultless display.

The poor condition of the pitch made good football difficult, and so Senior called upon his side to make use of their height, something they did to great effect and brought them their three goals.

The Bees took the lead on the half-hour when Darren Lock volleyed the ball into the roof of the net at the far post after keeper Mike Taylor had brilliantly palmed away Chris Clarke's header from Dan Wises' corner.



◆ **LAPPING UP A LEGEND:** Part of the audience enjoying last Thursday's successful Jimmy Greaves evening at a packed Avenue Ground Marquee.  
*Photo by STUART BROOM*

## Bees nick win to climb table ELMORE 2 BRIDPORT 3

**Toolstation Division One - Attendance: 55**

BRIDPORT nicked all three points with a Chris Clarke goal two minutes from time in an entertaining match at Horsdon Park on Monday.

Having been thwarted once more by the weather with both last Tuesday's match with Chard and Good Friday's encounter with Gillingham Town rained off at St Mary's Field, Bridport needed to pick up valuable points in their quest to finish in the top ten, but it looked a tall order with Alan Hill, Darren Watts, Jamie Fry and Dan Jones all unavailable due to work.

Manager Trevor Senior could only call upon 12 plus himself to make the trip to Exeter, but that did include a return for Jamie Symes who suffered a badly bruised back against Portishead that necessitated being taken to hospital by air ambulance just ten

However Elmore equalised when the Bees lost the ball on the halfway line and the hosts raced away to beat Suttle.

Bridport's height proved valuable again just on the stroke of half-time when Chris Clarke's header was flicked on by Chris Senior for Sam Charles to half-volley home from six-yards.

Elmore had a little more possession after the break and equalised with 15 minutes to go when Bridport failed to close down an attack on the corner of the penalty area and Suttle was beaten by a superb curling shot into his top corner.

It looked like the Bees would have to settle for a point, but for once they grabbed a late winner that perhaps they did not deserve.

Senior did well to chase a ball down the channel and held off a defender before squaring it to Wise whose thunderous shot was brilliantly turned away for a corner by Taylor. However Ashley Clarke got his head to the ball from Wise's resultant flag kick and Chris Clarke fired home the winner.

The win saw Bridport leapfrog their host's into 11th spot.



## YOUTH RUGBY NEWS AND REPORTS

# WEATHER FAILS TO DAMPEN SPIRITS AT TAG RUGBY FESTIVAL

### Under11s

#### WEYMOUTH 26 TWICKENHAM & BLANDFORD 7

WEYMOUTH started strongly and took the lead when Lee Chapman crossed the whitewash in the corner after the ball had moved quickly through the hands of the Weymouth back line. Bud Glover added the extras.

The score seemed to galvanise the visitors and Weymouth were on the defensive for the remainder of the first-half but the opposition could not break through.

However straight after the interval Twickenham / Blandford equalised with a score in the corner which was converted.

However Weymouth retook the lead with a try by James Davis which he converted, and a try by Morgan Wyatt after chasing the ball back to the opposition's try line and forcing an error. Chapman added the extras before full-back Troy Brocklebank completed the scoring by going over.



◆ **DETERMINED:** Weymouth U11s on the attack against Twickenham & Blandford.  
Photo by CHRIS DAVIS

Imogen Parker, Lucas Jones, Harry Keenan and Glen Watts showed good attacking play, whilst Jack Brewer, Tyler Craig and Will Stone excelled in defence, with Luke Waller claiming the Man-of-the-Match award.

### Under12s

#### WEYMOUTH & BLANDFORD 24 TWICKENHAM 40

ALTHOUGH Twickenham played well against a combined Weymouth and Blandford team it was only in the dying minutes that they made the game secure.

The visitors built up a lead but were pegged back by Weymouth & Blandford who stole two runaway tries both scored by Caolan Ryan with Harry Jelf converting one.

The hosts came back from two tries down at the break to score two of their own through Nathaniel Baynham-Jones who converted one of them, but Twickenham scored late on to seal the match.

Both Baynham-Jones and Ryan showed excellent running and support play between them, whilst Jack Steele showed a consistent workrate throughout the game.

Henry Arnold played well, tackling and off-loading the ball, whilst the whole team, once again showed focus and drive and the support play from the Seasideers contributed to a great team effort, constantly improving their level of game.

Good community spirit was also in abundance as Weymouth joined forces with Blandford to ensure that every player got some game time.

### BRIDPORT RUGBY CLUB TAG RUGBY FESTIVAL

DESPITE the threat of cancellation due to the atrocious conditions, over 250 local primary school children contested Bridport Rugby Club's annual Tag Rugby Festival recently. Pupils from Years 4,5 and 6 played a total of 55 games of rugby over two and a half hours on five pitches.

Organiser Rob Prideaux said: "Even the cold wind and rain couldn't dampen the children's spirits and they did brilliantly under the conditions. "It was fantastic to see so many happy faces and so much energy and enthusiasm for the festival. All teams, regardless of result, showed good sportsmanship and rugby spirit."

"A very big thank you to the children, parents and teachers who got involved. It was a big commitment to give up their time and come out and play or watch rugby on a weekend in such rough weather."

"The Rugby Club puts a lot of time and effort into the festival, with all members being volunteers and giving up their time to go into schools and help with coaching, as well as helping out on the day. It would not be possible to hold the event without the help of the volunteers, so to them goes a very big well done."

Marshwood School eventually won the competition, beating Broadwindor in a close final, which almost came down to the toss of a coin.

Anyone who wants to get involved in the club or wants to play should contact Geoff Hunt on 07817 751405 or e-mail him at geoffsheryl.hunt@btopenworld.com.

### ALL SAINTS FAMILY TAG RUGBY FESTIVAL

HOLY Trinity Sharks were the winners of this year's All Saints Family Tag Festival held last week.

They were undefeated in their six games scoring 23 tries overall in a fiercely competitive competition that saw eleven games end in either a draw or a win by one try.

Organised by the West Dorset School Sport Partnership it involved teams from Holy Trinity Primary who hosted it, Augustine's Primary, and Holy Trinity Primary school's, and was played in a round robin format with teams of eight mixed pupils.

The standard of rugby was high and everyone enjoyed themselves especially those having their first taste of competitive rugby.

The heavy rain that had been forecast thankfully held off until the closing moments of the festival, but resulted in the formal presentations being abandoned as everyone took shelter by the school.

All participants received a certificate and Dave Wilson, community coach from the RFU who has been coaching in the schools this term, presented each school with a free RFU 'goody' bag of kit.

All Saints Year 11 students and members of Weymouth RFC provided the referees and the event was coordinated by SSCO Dave Baney and Dave Wilson.

Thanks go to all of those that helped, Holy Trinity School for providing the venue and to assistant headteacher Phil Horne for his help.



◆ **EXCITING:** Action from the All Saints tag rugby festival.

## STRUGGLES CONTINUE FOR SUPERLEAGUERS

### Bridport Superleague Darts

BOTH of Bridport's Superleague darts team's are struggling at the moment with defeat for both sides in their latest matches against Weymouth and Christchurch.

The men sank to the bottom of their league after 9-3 defeats against both sides who are in the top half of the table with Graham Knight and Roger Druce

respectively winning the Man-of-the-Match awards.

The ladies lost 4-5 to bottom side Weymouth with Beckie Dedman picking up the Player-of-the-Match award and 3-6 to Christchurch where Elaine Ingram was top lady.

They are slightly better positioned than the men but have slipped down towards the bottom after the defeats.

### RUGBY ROUND-UP

with KEITH JENKIN

## First XVs on their travels

THE Easter weekend used to be full to overflowing with touring rugby sides.

Nowadays Easter Saturday is devoted to the catching up of postponed league fixtures and, as all three local clubs are up to date as regard their respective league programmes, there is no rugby taking place locally.

### PREVIEW

AT least all three local sides will be returning refreshed and invigorated to the fray after resting last weekend and all have games that they should win, but will they?

DORCHESTER take the road to BRADFORD ON AVON, and really should return with a win, for their opponents lie just above the relegation zone of the Southern Counties League (South).

I am sure that Bradford will use this fact as a motivator though, and will be targeting it as a win to get them out of trouble.

Dorchester came on top with some

ease in the season's earlier fixture and I take them to do so again. It will be closer though, with a margin of ten points separating the sides at the whistle for no side.

BRIDPORT, with the Dorset & Wilts League Division One (South) title already in their pockets, are also on the road, travelling to take on North Dorset Seconds.

Their opponents, having been in the top flight for much of the season, have fallen away a little recently and I think the Brewery Field bunch will certainly win this one by a couple of scores.

WEYMOUTH travel to BLANDFORD for what may just prove to be a bit of a banana skin.

Their opponents, although now occupying a mid table place, came out on top at Weymouth earlier in the season and will certainly fancy their chances of doing so again.

As I remember, Weymouth were architects of their own downfall to a

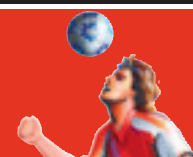
great degree on that day and, if they cut out the infringements on Saturday, they should win by a couple of scores.

As to the second sides, Bridport take on North Dorset thirds at home and will be looking to reverse their recent trend of losses, although a win against these opponents will not come easily. Dorchester seconds too will have their hands full against South Wilts, home advantage notwithstanding.

Weymouth seconds for their part, will also find a win against opponents, Blandford seconds, difficult to come by.

**FIXTURES** 10th April - Bridport v North Dorset 2nd (away); Bridport 2nd v North Dorset 3rd; Chard v Taunton 2nd; Chard 3rd v Castle Cary 2nd; Dorchester v Bradford on Avon (away); Dorchester 2nd v South Wilts; Sidmouth v Cullompton; Weymouth v Blandford (away); Weymouth 2nd v Blandford 2nd.

## Bridport Football Partnership (BFP)



**The BFP is offering a Level 1 1st 4 Sport FA Coaching Course during the summer of 2010 at St Mary's Playing Fields.**

*The course is directed by the Dorset County FA (DCFA) and is designed for the new coach at Youth and senior level and covers coaching activities as follows:*

• Child Protection • Coaching small-sided games.

• Injury Identification and rehabilitation • Emergency/First Aid

***The DCFA require a minimum of 15 coaches to stage this event and will be funded (Cost normally £100:00) by the BFP.***

**To register your name and further details, contact:**

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### FIXTURES HEADACHE FOR SENIOR

WITH the days running out and fixtures being lost to the weather, Bridport manager Trevor Senior is finding it difficult juggling with the resources available to him.

Four of the last five league matches have been away from home which has meant that a number of players have not been available due to work commitments and with a number of injuries that always arise when playing so many games in such a short passage of time, means Senior has not been able to field the same side twice.

With eight league matches still to play in a matter of 20 days, despite the league allowing the Bees to extend the season by two days to fit in their home match with Gillingham Town, this problem will exacerbated by the Les Phillips Cup semi-final on April 17th.

Whilst Senior is pleased they are able to delay one of the matches

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until the Monday after the official close of the season, he is disappointed that the league have not been sympathetic to the club's plea to rearrange their home clash with Chard Town two day before the cup match, considering that they are also playing on the previous Tuesday, making it three games in five days.

"It makes life very difficult as we can only bring in two reserve players to try and ease the load on the first team which means a lot of games for the majority of the team."

Bridport finally did manage to play a game on Monday when they won 3-2 at Elmore.

"The pitch was terrible, not Elmore's fault in light of all the bad weather, but with our additional height I thought set pieces would be crucial on the day and asked

the lads to think about that during the game. It turned out to be spot on as all three goals came from us winning balls in the air.

"I would have settled for a point after they equalised, but this week we had the bonus of scoring late on, just as Cadbury Heath did to us recently, so it evened itself up.

"We gave the ball away too much in the first half which led to their first goal, and perhaps could have closed them down for the second, although the goal was brilliantly executed and there was nothing Andy (Suttle) could do about it.

"He played very well again, I was very impressed. His general goal-keeping was excellent, he is very brave; diving at player's feet; and he talked to his players. His distribution was also first class, often throwing the ball to set up attacks."

Suttle will also be in goal for the Bees next match tonight (Wednesday) when they take on Keynsham Town (ko 7.45pm).



### CHARMOUTH FC

◆ **STILL ROCKING:** Charmouth FC, the Robins - pictured before the recent 1-1 draw at White Horse. Line-up, back row from left: Mark Burke, Antony Morris, Luke Jarvis, Shaun Meyers, Dan Rendall, Paul Heath, Mike Walton (manager). Front: Jamie Smith, Danny Parr, Paul Miners (captain), Dan Dunford, Graham Herring, Luke Herbert, Sam Burke.

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